

Marian Residence
1104 Toluca Ave.
Alliance, NE 69301
October 24, 1996

Dear Sisters, Relatives and Friends of Sister Agnes Taylor:

Sister Agnes Taylor had suffered for a number of years with an Alzheimer's type syndrome and diabetes. She came to Marian Residence in July, 1994. On August 20 of the year 1996, she had an acute heart attack, after which she was a complete invalid.

On the afternoon of October 1, 1996, she suffered another acute attack. Sister received the Sacrament of the Sick at once and her sister, Jane Hutton, remained with her while the Sisters went to the 4:30 p.m. Mass. About 5:00 p.m. Sister Agnes said, "Beautiful", and "Mom" and died. We feel that after those many years of bewilderment and pain, Sister Agnes was given a moment of clarity at the time of her death.

Ruth Gene Taylor was born July 8, 1921, the first daughter of Orthello and Agnes (Vifquain) Taylor, at Springview, Nebraska. After graduating from St. Mary's Academy, O'Neill, Nebraska, she entered the Sisters of St. Francis at Marycrest, Denver, Colorado. She was given the religious name Agnes, in honor of her mother, and professed religious vows on August 21, 1941.

Sister Agnes attended several colleges and universities, including Regis, Catholic University, Trinity and Loyola. She held B.S. and M.A. degrees and a certificate in Pastoral Ministry. She ministered as a teacher in Nebraska, Colorado, and South Dakota, and as a pastoral minister in Alliance, Nebraska and Minot, North Dakota.

Her parents and one sister, Joanne Holloway, preceded her in death. Survivors are three sisters: Margaret Noe, Altus, Oklahoma; Jane Hutton, Alliance, Nebraska; and June Culver, Seal Beach, California, a number of nieces, nephews and cousins. The sole remaining member of her mother's family, Sister Elma Vifquain, survives her at Marian Residence.

A wake was held on the evening of the Feast of St. Francis at Marian Residence, and the Mass of the Resurrection was offered in Holy Rosary Church on October 5. Many of her relatives attended the funeral and four cousins were among the pallbearers. Following the burial, lunch was served at Marian Residence by the Altar Society for the Sisters, relatives and friends who were present at the funeral.

May she rest in peace.

Peace and All Good,

The Sisters at Marian Residence