

Sister Florissa Tierney (Helen Tierney)

Sister Florissa Tierney was born in O'Neill, Nebraska on June 16, 1899. Her parents were Thomas Tierney and Laurissa Stannard Tierney. One of four sisters who entered the Sisters of St. Francis, Sister Florissa entered the community at Stella Niagara, New York on April 6, 1915. She professed her vows on August 31, 1918 at Stella Niagara.

Sister Florissa spent almost all of her religious life as a teacher. She was a certified teacher in New York and Nebraska and taught at St. Francis Mission, South Dakota. She also performed office duties. Sister Florissa died at National Jewish Hospital, Denver, Colorado on April 23, 1970. She is buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Denver, Colorado.