

Sister Adeltrude Fries (Clotilde Fries)

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Sister Adeltrude came to the United States on April 6, 1920 and became a U.S. citizen on July 13, 1939.

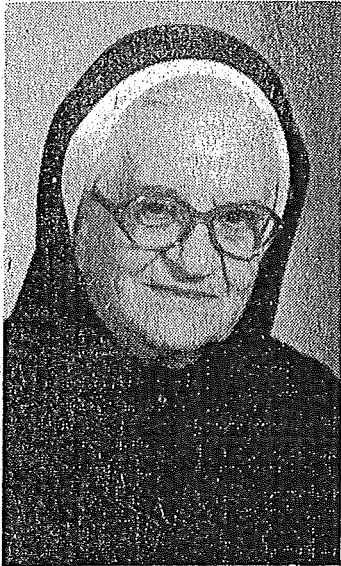
She received her teaching certificate from Ludinghausen, Germany and held certificates in the Ward Method of Music, I, II and III. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of Benedict, St. Joseph, Minnesota in 1945.

Sister Adeltrude taught in Holy Name Province, St. Leo's, Minot, North Dakota; St. Mary's, O'Neill, Nebraska; and St. Agnes Academy, Alliance, Nebraska. She died in Box Butte Hospital, Alliance, Nebraska on June 18, 1978. She is buried in Calvary Cemetery, O'Neill, Nebraska.

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Sister Adeltrude earned her college degrees in the States and taught in Buffalo, N.Y., in Columbus, Ohio, in Minot, North Dakota, then in Alliance, Nebraska, and in the South Dakota Mission Schools.

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On June 1, Sister agreed to spend the summer at the Gerontology Center in Alliance, Nebraska, in the hope that rest and care would give her renewed strength. This succeeded for a short time, but on June 15, complications set in. Sister was taken to Box Butte General Hospital, where she died on June 18, 1978.

Burial was from St. Patrick's Church, O'Neill, whence her old students bore her remains to their final resting place among the Sisters in the O'Neill Cemetery. Her own junior high students served at the Mass of the Resurrection, the joyful Christian farewell to one who had "fought the good fight" and has finished her course.

The principal celebrant at this Mass was Father Frank Dvorak. Father David LaPlante and Father James Buschelman read the Scriptures. Father Kenneth Potts delivered the Homily.

Other priests present in the sanctuary and concelebrating were Father Gerald Leise, Father Ambrose Burke, and Father Tom Sellentin.

Kevin Loy, Marquette, Mich.