

July 3, 2019

**Sister Mercita Batog, SSND**  
**Teacher, tutor, volunteer**

**Greenfield, Wisconsin** — Sister Mary Mercita Batog died at Our Lady of the Angels in Greenfield, Wisconsin, Friday, June 14, 2019. She was 100 and a former teacher, tutor and volunteer.

The funeral Mass was held on June 18, 2019 at Notre Dame of Elm Grove, Elm Grove, Wisconsin. Burial was at the Notre Dame of Elm Grove Cemetery.

Sister Mercita was born December 22, 1918, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She entered the congregation of the School Sisters of Notre Dame in 1935 and professed first vows in 1938.

She earned a bachelor's degree in education from the former Mount Mary College, Milwaukee. Following her first profession, Sister Mercita served for 40 years as a primary teacher in Catholic schools across the Midwest. Her earliest assignments were in Wisconsin, with one Illinois post, which included: St. Francis, De Pere (1938-1944); St. Francis Xavier, Green Bay (1944-1948); Sacred Heart, Appleton (1948-1949); St. Margaret, Chicago (1950-1958); St. Agnes, Butler (1958-1961); Mt. Carmel (Holy Cross), (1961-1964) Mount Calvary. Sister Mercita's later assignments included: St. Stanislaus, Michigan City, Indiana (1964-1965); St. Mary, Menasha, Wisconsin (1965-1968); St. Isidore in her hometown of Grand Rapids (1968-1972); Saints Peter & Paul, Merrillville, Indiana (1972-1973); St. Mary's, Grand Rapids (1973-1974); and St. Adalbert, Grand Rapids (1974-1978).

She served in year-long assignments as a receptionist and secretary at Holy Trinity-Guadalupe in Milwaukee, followed by St. Constance in Chicago. Sister Mercita returned to the classroom at St. Gabriel in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, from 1980-1984. She moved to the Detroit area, serving as a teacher's aide and tutor at St. Mary in Alma. In 1986, she relocated to Milwaukee, undertaking community service and volunteering, which she continued through 1997. Sister Mercita then moved to Notre Dame of Elm Grove, Elm Grove, Wisconsin, where she resided in prayerful presence and loving witness through June of 2019.

Memorial contributions may be made to the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Resource Development, 13105 Watertown Plank Road, Elm Grove, WI 53122 or online at <https://www.ssndcentralpacific.org/give>.

