



**Sr. Margaret Ann Brady**

*January 23, 1918 – June 15, 2010*

Sr. Margaret Ann Brady (92) died on June 15, 2010, at Sansbury Care Center (St. Catharine, KY) in her 66<sup>th</sup> year of religious profession.

Born in Lynn, Massachusetts, to John and Catherine (Sullivan) Brady, Catherine Elizabeth was one of seven children, two of whom (Dennis and Patrick) would become Dominican priests. Her sister Margaret's daughter, Christine Connolly, would become a Dominican Sister with the Kentucky congregation and is now a Dominican Sister of Peace ministering at Notre Dame University.

Sr. Margaret Ann entered the Dominican Sisters of St. Catharine of Siena, Kentucky, in 1943 and made her First Profession of Vows in 1944. She earned a Bachelor's degree in education and religion from DePaul University (Chicago, IL) and a Master's degree in education and guidance from Boston College (Chestnut Hill, MA), preparing her well for a lifelong ministry in education. As a teacher, Sr. Margaret Ann served at schools in and around Chicago, Omaha, Boston, and Brooklyn. She served as teacher, guidance counselor, and later principal at North Cambridge Catholic (Cambridge, MA) from 1967 to 1981 and as guidance counselor at St. Clare High School (Roslindale, MA) from 1981 to 1990, when she retired to Rosary Manor. In 2005 she relocated to Sansbury Care Center in St. Catharine, Kentucky, where she embraced an apostolate of prayer.

Of all the blessings of her ministries, Sr. Margaret Ann most loved working with children, whom she saw as gifts from God and future shapers of the world. Even her nieces and nephews recall the great joy she found in being with them and "letting them be kids" in all their boisterous energy. Family was very important to Sr. Margaret Ann, and she was grateful for the opportunity to live close to her parents as they were aging and near to the families of her siblings in the Boston area for so many years. She was an inspiration to her niece, Sr. Christine Connolly, who was drawn to the Dominican Order, and to the Kentucky congregation in particular, in large part because of the genuine joy and faith she found in her aunt and the Sisters she met through her aunt.

While Sr. Margaret Ann had a quiet presence, she was very much a person of action. She would see things that needed to be done and would simply do them without fanfare. Even in her later years at Sansbury she would assist fellow residents when she was able and felt great joy when she could help someone. She was an avid letter writer and over the years kept in touch with many family, friends, and even former students through the written word.

The welcoming of the body will be at Sansbury Care Center Chapel on Thursday, June 17, at 4:00pm. The funeral Mass will be on Friday, June 18, at 10:30am, followed by burial at St. Catharine Motherhouse cemetery.

Memorial gifts in Sr. Margaret Ann's memory may be sent to Dominican Sisters of Peace, 2645 Bardstown Rd, St. Catharine, KY 40061 or 2320 Airport Dr., Columbus, OH 43219-2098.