

*Sr. Angelica Zarinelli, ASCJ*



Sr. Angelica Zarinelli, ASCJ died Wednesday April 9, 2008 at Sacred Heart Manor in Hamden. Born in St. Louis, MO January 10, 1915 a daughter of the late Alexander and Mary Ruggieri Zarinelli, Sr. Angelica entered the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on August 18, 1932, professed first vows in New Hew Haven August 23, 1934 and perpetual vows in New Haven August 24, 1939. Sr. Angelica held a Masters Degree in Education from Duquesne University and was certified in both Elementary and Special Education. For nearly twenty years, Sr. Angelica taught and served as principal in elementary schools in New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania and Missouri. In 1953 she began the ministry which she would dedicate the next 46 years of her life-special education. First at St. Anthony School in Oakmont, PA and then at Clelian Heights in Greensburg, PA, Sister loved and served her mentally, emotionally and physically challenged children and young adults. Stately in bearing and creative in spirit, Sr. Angelica's beautiful smile and sparkling eyes truly reflected the love of Jesus that filled her heart. Sister retired to Sacred Heart Manor in Hamden in 1999, devoting her days to prayer and gentle presence. She is survived by her brother John (Louise) Zarinelli of St. Louis, MO; her nieces Dolores (Victor) Locastro and Virginia Zarinelli of St. Louis and Margaret Zarinelli of Seattle; and many loving great nieces and nephews.