



**Margaret Ann Jones SL**  
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Amelia Louise (Mimi) Touvant was born in Denver. Mimi's mother was a graduate of the "Old, Old, St. Mary's."

Mimi wrote, "My father, Fredrick G. Touvant, left my mother and I the very day I was born. He was French by birth, and worked in the FBI. I believe he simply returned to France. Mom and I lived with Mrs. Annie Evans, after whose family Mt. Evans is named."

Mimi continued: "I had the most wonderful stepfather anyone could have! Robert Jones was his name. He married my mom when I was seven years old. He educated me at St. Mary's Academy from grade five through high school. I received my diploma in 1935. I attended Loretto Heights College for one semester, and then went to work. I wanted to make my own money!"

After the first time Mimi sent in an application form for admission to Loretto, she had a bad fall when horseback riding and had to spend an entire month in the hospital! There was need of additional recovery time even after leaving the hospital due to complications from the fall. In June of 1939, Mimi Jones entered the novitiate of the Sisters of Loretto.

Margaret Ann was assigned to St. Patrick in El Paso in January of 1942 where she taught Kindergarten, and loved it! She noted that she loved living in the convent in El Paso where ninety-six nuns lived! She remained there until 1950 when she was assigned to St. Philomena in Denver. Mimi commented that it was quite a contrast being cramped in the city versus the open space of the land surrounding the convent in El Paso.

After 10 years at St. Phil's, Mimi moved to St. John in Denver 1960 and then to All Souls in Englewood. After these many years teaching in Colorado, Mimi filled in for a short time at Our Lady of Sorrows, in West Las Vegas, and then returned to Denver to teach for three years at Blessed Sacrament.

Her second adventure in New Mexico was at St. Francis in Santa Fe, from 1968-1970. It was a difficult time as Our Lady of Light Academy was closed in 1968.

In 1970 Mimi returned to All Souls and then taught at Havern School at Loretto Center. Mimi wrote: "I loved my 14 years at Havern. I taught math and lived at the Center. Barbara Schulte was great to work with. It was paradise! I never taught more than three students at a time. The teachers worked like a team." She was pleased that she was able to spend so many happy years teaching in Denver — her hometown.

In 1989 Mimi moved to the Loretto Motherhouse. She worked in Residence Services as an Aide and a Driver for the Infirmary. And then she, herself, moved into the Infirmary in 1996 where she died on Valentine's Day, February 14, 2010.

Mimi summed it up — "I have had a gorgeous life." And indeed you did, Mimi with all those many, many years of teaching. Always the gracious hostess, Mimi loved to have a good time and wanted everyone else to have one too. God bless you, Mimi!