



Marie Agnes Fobes SL
October 25, 1915 – February 10, 2012

Marie Agnes, born in Chicago, moved to Fairhope, Alabama when she was five. She began her education with Irish Sisters of Mercy then moved to Loretto schools. She wrote: "I graduated from grade school and crossed the street to Bishop Toolen High School for the next four years."

On December 8, 1939, Marie Agnes began her canonical year; and made first vows on April 25, 1942, and final vows on August 15, 1945.

For 18 of her 36 years in teaching elementary students, Marie Agnes served in two parish schools in St. Louis. She was first at St. Ann's in Normandy from 1950 to 1957. And then she moved to Webster Groves to teach at Mary Queen of Peace until 1968.

Marie Agnes also taught in schools in Colorado, Illinois, Kentucky and Texas. After retiring from classroom teaching in the early 80s, she was the administrative assistant in the Life Studies Program and served as a home health care aide for Upjohn Company. At the Denver Loretto Center, she assisted with private care and as a companion aide. She also tutored at Rhodes Center until her retirement in 1997. Since 2003, she has served in prayer and presence at the Motherhouse Infirmary.

Along the way, Marie Agnes devoted herself to caring for her aging mother. She worked in the private and public sector in home care for the aging, and she ministered to the sisters of her community in retirement. Through the years, her welcoming manner had been a comfort to many. Marie Agnes donated her body to science. Marie Agnes was always the Southern lady. With a twinkle in her eye and a quick smile, she was a great storyteller. And somehow, she never lost her Southern drawl. The better the story – the more pronounced the accent! God bless you, Marie Agnes!