



Sr. Anne Christina

NORTON, VA - Sr. Anne Christina O'Sullivan, 90, member of the Congregation Poor Servants of the Mother of God, died Friday (Oct. 27, 2000) at St. Mary's Convent, Norton, Va.

Born in County Kerry, Ireland, she was a daughter of the late Michael O'Sullivan and Joanna Carmody O'Sullivan. She entered Religious life in 1927.

She received her RN degree from Providence Hospital, St. Helens - Lancashire, England. In 1947, she came to High Point, N.C. to open a nursing home and in July 1948, at the request of Fr. Joseph Dean, Glenmary Priest, came to Norton, Va. to take over the Norton Clinic which was for sale and eventually became St. Mary's Hospital. She was administrator from 1958 to 1985 and president of the board from 1970 to 1988.

She became a naturalized citizen in 1988. Sr. Anne received the Wise County Chamber of Commerce Special Recognition Service Award in 1997. She received her St. Mary's Hospital 50 Year Service pin in 1998. She was awarded the Healthcare Hero Award for Outstanding Achievement in Healthcare. She received the Pioneer Nurse Award from the Virginia Nursing Association in 2000.

Sr. Anne was an advocate for the poor and believed no one should be denied service at the hospital based on their ability to pay.

She was the sister of the late Cornelius and Donal O'Sullivan and Anne O'Donoghue.

Surviving are two sisters, Breeda Young, Paterson, N. J., and Mollie O'Connor, New York, N.Y.; two brothers, Timothy O'Sullivan, New York, N.Y., and Michael O'Sullivan, of the home in Ireland; several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Norton. Chief Celebrant will be Bishop Walter Sullivan of the Richmond, Va. Diocese.

Burial will follow in the Highland Cemetery in Norton. The family and Sisters will receive friends from 1 to 9 p.m. Monday, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Norton where a prayer service will be conducted at 7 p.m. and a Rosary Service at 8 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary's Hospital or the Sr. Anne Christina Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 620, Norton, Va. 24273.

Hagy Funeral Home of Norton is in charge of arrangements.