



## SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS

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FACEBOOK: FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF OLDENBURG



S. VERONICA FREDERICK, OSF

August 15, 2017

Dear Sisters, Associates, Co-Workers, Family and Friends,

***"This is why you must now know, and fix in your heart, that the Lord is God  
in the heavens above and on earth below, and that there is no other."***

***Deuteronomy 4: 39***

The above Scripture passage was contained in the first reading on the feast of Clare of Assisi. Later that afternoon Sister Veronica Frederick completed her one hundred years of serving God, knowing that in her heart there had been no other.

Edna Frances Mary was the youngest of four daughters born to Albert and Philomena Frederick. Hamilton, Ohio was her home and there she attended St. Veronica Elementary School and Notre Dame High School. Her parish was staffed by Franciscan priests who carried out the tradition of novenas to St. Anthony. Sister Veronica accompanied her mother to these and other parish prayer services. The pastor, who had been taught by the Oldenburg Franciscans, recommended our Community in his many talks with her about the possibility of a religious vocation. In 1940 she entered the Franciscans and began a seventy-seven year journey of "fixing in her heart" that God is who she would serve and "there is no other."

For thirty-two years she served as a teacher and principal. Pastoral ministry and administrative work rounded out her years of active service. Having retired to Oldenburg, she felt the call to serve as a caregiver for her ailing sister and brother-in-law in Hamilton. After three years, she again returned to Oldenburg where she enjoyed crafts, candy-making and creating gifts for others. Each Christmas, the co-workers at the Motherhouse would inquire early in the season when her delicious chocolate turtles would be available to purchase.

As her retirement years progressed, it became difficult for her to pray in the convent chapel and the adoration chapel because of her decreased mobility. But she was always ready to share a story about a saint or talk about the Eucharist, even in her final days.

Our sympathy to her family, classmates, loyal friends and the nursing staff in St. Clare Hall. As the Scripture says, "The Lord is God in the heavens above and the earth below," and our Sister Veronica lived that belief during life and rejoices in it now in eternity.

*Sister Margie Niemer OSF*

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*for the General Council*

SISTER VERONICA (EDNA) FREDERICK

Birth: July 16, 1917

Entrance into Religious Life: January 1, 1940

Entrance into Eternal Life: August 11, 2017

MISSIONS AT WHICH S. VERONICA SERVED:

1941-1944	St. Anthony, Dayton, OH
1944-1954	Little Flower, Indianapolis, IN
1954-1958	Holy Family, Richmond, IN
1958-1964	St. Gabriel, Connersville, IN
1964-1965	Rex Mundi, Evansville, IN
1965-1973	St. Bonaventure, Cincinnati, OH
1973-1977	St. Elizabeth Hospital, Cincinnati, OH
1977-1978	St. Joseph, Cincinnati, OH
1978-1981	Glenmary Motherhouse, Cincinnati, OH
1981-1989	Sacred Heart Convent, Fairfield, OH
1989-2002	Family Ministry, Hamilton, OH
2002-2017	Motherhouse, Oldenburg, IN

*Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Weigel Funeral Home – visit their website to view Sister's online memorial, and if desired, an online condolence may be left on the site to share with her family and the Franciscan Sisters – [www.Weigelfh.com](http://www.Weigelfh.com)*

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