



## Sister Annella Bieniek

December 4, 1924 - October 21, 2018

Sister Mary Annella Bieniek, 93 year old resident of the St. Francis Convent passed away Sunday, October 21, 2018 at the Franciscan Sister's Convent in Little Falls, MN. A Franciscan prayer service will be held at 4:00 P.M. on Monday, October 22, 2018 in Little Falls, MN. A private burial will take place in the Franciscan Sister's Cemetery in Little Falls, MN. A Memorial Mass will take place at St. Francis Convent on Saturday, October 27, at 11 a.m. Donations to Franciscan Sisters Ministries preferred.

Clara Bieniek was born on December 4, 1924, in Bowlus, Minn. She was the youngest of 11 children born to the late Nick and Anna (Krych) Bieniek. She was accepted as a Franciscan Sister of Little Falls, Minnesota, on August 12, 1942, and given the name, Sister Mary Annella. She made her first profession of vows on August 12, 1944, and final vows on August 12, 1947. She was a Franciscan Sister for 76 years. Sister Annella was certified in Red Cross home nursing and first aid, marriage/pastoral counseling and clinical pastoral education. Sister Annella ministered as a housekeeper, cook, sacristan, dietary aide, activities and recreation coordinator and pastoral care associate. She was also a spiritual assistant to members of the Secular Franciscan Order. This was a much loved and treasured ministry and she was still in contact with many of those SFOs. She served in Dodgeville, Milwaukee and South Milwaukee, Wis.; Wahpeton, N. Dak.; Breckenridge, Moorhead, Perham, Parkers Prairie, Onamia, Morris, Little Falls and Marshall, Minn.

Sister Annella was a wide-eyed, energetic person with a spirit of hospitality and compassion as special gifts. Her prayer life and love for the gospel were hallmarks of her daily living. She was an active member of the Healing Light Prayer Community, a Little Falls St. Mary's Parish prayer group, for many years. She enjoyed helping and assisting the sick, dying and disabled as well as giving support to their families.

Sister was preceded in death by siblings: Brother Gabriel (Raymond), OSB, Alois, Isadore, Margaret, Tillie Henneck, Bridget, Agnes Hennek, Agatha, Eva Swietzer and Helen Susan.

Survivors include many nieces and nephews, her extended family and her Franciscan Community.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Francis Convent Cemetery

116 8th Avenue SE  
Little Falls, MN

# Previous Events

## Prayer Service

OCT **22**. 4:00 PM (CT)

Sacred Heart Chapel - Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls  
116 8th Avenue SE  
Little Falls, MN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sister Annella Bieniek*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *I will always remember Sr. Annella as a bright shining light. She was such a lovely giving lady. When I visit Little Falls I will miss seeing her. I saw her On Wed. just before she Left us on Sunday. So happy I was in town at the right time. She was delightful, as always. I feel so blest to have been there at that time. I will miss seeing her as I have in the past several years when I visited Little Falls.*

**Mary Beth McKinnon** - October 27, 2018 at 08:55 PM



“ *Marlene Mead sent a virtual gift in memory of Sister Annella Bieniek*



**Marlene Mead** - October 26, 2018 at 01:43 PM



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**Marlene Mead** - October 24, 2018 at 08:42 PM



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**Marlene Mead** - October 24, 2018 at 08:38 PM



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**Marlene Mead** - October 24, 2018 at 08:33 PM



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**Dave Miodus** - October 23, 2018 at 03:06 PM

MM

“ *Marlene Mead lit a candle in memory of Sister Annella Bieniek*



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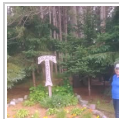
**marlene mead** - October 23, 2018 at 01:12 PM

MM

“ *Sister Anella Was A Very Special Person To Us.She Lifted Us Up. No Words Can Express How Important She Was To us. Your With The Family Now. rest In Peace. Watch Over Us All God Bless You. Marlene mead, Ken Mead Family, Teri Mead Corewell Family, Lance Mead Daughter Lily. Your Little Favorite Girl. Like You Would Say.*

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**marlene mead** - October 23, 2018 at 01:11 PM



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**Marlene Mead** - October 24, 2018 at 08:46 PM



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**Marlene Mead** - October 23, 2018 at 12:54 PM



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**Marlene Mead** - October 23, 2018 at 12:51 PM



“ I just loved working with Sister Annella when she joined our grief support groups at SFC as a spiritual mentor for hurting people...she had a gift of helping with genuine love and compassion 💕 Beautiful woman of God!

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**Gwyn Shelley** - October 23, 2018 at 11:23 AM

SW

“ *Stan Dee Wielinski lit a candle in memory of Sister Annella Bieniek*



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**Stan Dee Wielinski** - October 23, 2018 at 12:30 AM

JU

“ *I always enjoyed working with you at St. Gabriel's. Rest in the peace of Christ, Sr. Annella!*

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**Judith** - October 22, 2018 at 08:37 PM

MI

“ *Michelle lit a candle in memory of Sister Annella Bieniek*



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**Michelle** - October 22, 2018 at 08:11 PM

PH

“ *Sr. Annella always greeted me with a smile & a hug. She was always happy--showing her true Christian beliefs. I will miss her & her friendly greetings! She'd say, "hello angel" she was the angel.*

*Phyllis Dobis*



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**Phyllis** - October 22, 2018 at 06:22 PM

JL

“ Sister Anella loved to visit with Paul Norman LeMieur. She always had a beautiful smile. Sister Anella will be missed.



James LeMieur - October 22, 2018 at 02:12 PM



“ I never made up to see her very often but when we did she was always so thrilled to see us, she seemed to always have so much energy. She was amazing to spend her life doing what the lord asked her to do and to help so many people all around the world in her many trips. She was a true inspiration. She will be missed.



Dave Miodus - October 22, 2018 at 12:05 PM



“ We we'll miss your loving smile and spirit God is welcoming you home

Diane Schaefer - October 22, 2018 at 08:28 AM



“ *Karen Haaland lit a candle in memory of Sister Annella Bieniek*



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**Karen Haaland** - October 22, 2018 at 08:25 AM

LB

“ *Sister Annella, I so enjoyed spending time with you. You are now in paradise...You and Sister Justina are catching up on stories...xoxo*

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**Lois Bieganek** - October 21, 2018 at 10:48 PM

KR

“ *RIP Sister Annella! Will miss you!*



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**Kristie** - October 21, 2018 at 09:47 PM

MM

*I always loved spending time with you. Always when I visited Little Falls. You were such a light and an inspiration. So happy ti was able to see you 4 days before you left us. will miss you so much.*

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**Mary Beth McKinnon** - October 27, 2018 at 08:45 PM