



Sister Mary Roberta Zimmer

April 26, 1925 - September 23, 2009

Alma Zimmer was born on April 26, 1925, in Watab Township near Mayhew Lake, Minn. She was the youngest of nine children born to the late Matthew and Mary (Plantenberg) Zimmer. She was accepted as a Franciscan Sister of Little Falls, Minnesota, and given the religious name Sister Mary Roberta on August 12, 1946. She made her first profession of vows on August 12, 1948, and final vows on August 12, 1951. She was a Franciscan Sister for 63 years. Sister Roberta became a certified x-ray technician at St. Francis School of Radiology, Breckenridge, Minn.

She ministered as chauffeur, laundry aide, x-ray technician, kitchen supervisor, hospitality manager, massage therapist. She served in Dodgeville, Madison and Cudahy, Wis.; Little Falls, Breckenridge, Alexandria, Duluth, Annandale, Perham and St. Cloud, Minn.

Sister Roberta was preceded in death by siblings: Emmett, Bernard, George, Clara Fischer, Mary Ann Mertz, Rose Rajkowski and Betty Lucht. She is survived by her brother, Harry (Henry), Rice, and sister-in-law, Marcella, Foley; nieces and nephews and her Franciscan Community.

Donations to Franciscan Sisters Ministries preferred.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **25.** 4:00 PM - 8:30 PM (CT)

St. Francis Convent
116 8th Avenue SE
Little Falls, MN 56345

Visitation

SEP **26.** 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Service

SEP **26.** 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Sister Mary Roberta Zimmer*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *It was always special to visit with Sr. Roberta. She had a beautiful singing voice. Whenever you were around her, there was always a feeling of calm and peacefulness. She led a life of service to others, and now she can rest in the presence of Our Lord, rejoined with her parents and siblings.##imported-begin##Bob Fischer##imported-end##*

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“ My Confirmation gift from Sr. Roberta was the soundtrack from the movie "The Singing Nun". Reflecting on what she must have been going through this past week, one of the beautiful songs from that album comes to mind:

*"Far beyond the stars
My soul is longing to go,
There beyond the sun
To a better place I know.
Through the darkest night
I can see the heavenly glow
Far away beyond the stars
Far away beyond the stars.*

*Time ages of time, yet is my time so dear,
The bells hasten to chime warning the hour is near.
The road leads far away and soon the days disappear,
And I sing Alleluia,
Unto Him, Alleluia."*

Now our own Singing Nun is singing with the angels. She was a wonderful aunt and such a blessing in our lives.##imported-begin##Deb Nicholson##imported-end##

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“ I have fond memories of Sister Roberta. She was very kind to me when my mother died in 1999 in St. Cloud. Some month later we took a trip together to Hot Springs, SD. About seven years ago we vacationed together at Marywood north of Woodruff, WI.
SRM##imported-begin##Sister Rita Mae Fischer, FSPA##imported-end##

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