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**Sister Antoine Mika, SSND
Former Art Teacher**

St. Louis – Sister Antoine Mika, SSND, died Thursday, Jan. 5, 2012, at Anna House at The Sarah Community in Bridgeton, Mo., from pneumonia. She was 95 and a former art teacher.

Sister Antoine was born in Fort Madison, Iowa. She entered the congregation of the School Sisters of Notre Dame in 1933 from St. Mary in Fort Madison. She professed first vows in 1936 and final vows in 1942. She earned a bachelor's in fine arts from Mount Mary College in Milwaukee in 1949, a master's in secondary education from St. Louis University in 1961 and a master's in art from the University of Notre Dame in Indiana in 1966.



Sister Antoine was in education for 56 years. She began her teaching career at St. Anthony in Baton Rouge, La., where she taught from 1936-37. She also taught at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, St. Louis, 1937-39; St. Joseph, East St. Louis, Ill., 1939-40; All Souls, St. Louis, 1940-46; St. Gerard Majella, Baton Rouge, 1946-48; St. Mary of the Pines, Chatawa, Miss, 1948; St. Gabriel the Archangel, St. Louis, 1948-49; St. Engelbert, St. Louis, 1949-51; Quincy Notre Dame High School, Quincy, Ill., 1951-56 and 1969-72; Mt. Carmel High School, Houston, Texas, 1956-60; St. Francis DeSales High School, St. Louis, 1960-65 and 1972-74; Rosary High School, St. Louis, 1966-69; Mater Dei High School, Breese, Ill., 1974-85; and Our Lady of Sorrows, St. Louis, 1985-92.

From 1992-99, she was an arts and crafts aide and volunteer at Villa Gesu, the former retirement center for the sisters. She performed community service at the St. Louis motherhouse until her retirement in 2002.

She has no immediate survivors.

Memorial contributions may be made to the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Mission Advancement, 320 E. Ripa Ave., St. Louis, MO, 63125-2897.