

## Death Notice

**SISTER JEAN MARIE**

ND 4137

(formerly Sister Mary St. William)

Jean Marie DICK



Immaculate Conception Province, USA

Date and Place of Birth:	January 31, 1927	Cleveland, Ohio
Date and Place of Profession:	August 16, 1947	Cleveland, Ohio
Date and Place of Death:	December 3, 2020	Health Care Center, Chardon, Ohio
Date and Place of Burial:	December 7, 2020	Resurrection Cemetery, Chardon, Ohio

*“Blessed to be here.”*

Jean Marie was the youngest of the five children born to William and Irene (Meiner) Dick. Using his skills as a carpenter, her father had begun a contracting company which developed into a very successful construction company. His specialty was building churches and related buildings. Jean and her older brothers and sister were well-versed in the building trade. Equally, they recognized the deep love for God, the joy brought by using their talents and the strong family bonds that were nurtured by their parents. Those bonds and their pride in each others' accomplishments grew stronger through the years.

Jean attended St. Cecilia's parish elementary school in Cleveland and then Notre Dame Academy. It was here that she met the Sisters of Notre Dame. After graduation, Jean entered the community as a postulant on September 8, 1944. At investment, she received the name Sister Mary St. William.

Sister earned a bachelor's degree in education from St. John College in Cleveland and a master's degree from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. For more than fifty years, she ministered as principal or teacher in elementary schools in the dioceses of Cleveland, Youngstown, Washington, D.C. and Florida. Sister was a well-prepared and respected teacher, always interested in the well-being of her students and their families. Her compassion and love for children of all ages were gifts she offered. As principal for thirty-two years, Sister Jean Marie was a competent and conscientious educational leader and mentor. Service to the wider educational community through presentations, talks and workshops, was appreciated and valued.

When Sister Jean Marie transitioned from the traditional school setting, she volunteered at the Notre Dame Skills Lab as an administrative aide. Her presence there was supporting and encouraging. In 1999 Sister moved to the provincial center where for fifteen years she assisted in the finance and facilities offices. Her background and expertise proved to be great assets.

Sister Jean Marie appreciated the simple things in life with her family and friends. With her good humor and infectious laugh, she helped to create a happy community. She was an avid sports fan and delighted in winning at cards and completing puzzles. Sister enjoyed the company of others, just relaxing and reminiscing and being a faithful friend.

Sister Jean Marie was sensitive and perceptive. She knew with great clarity that Jesus was her ALL. May she know eternal peace and joy.