Sister Marie Monica Borden, OSF 1935-2019



Sr. Marie Monica Borden, baptized Mary Ann, died on May 23 in her home in Pendleton, Oregon, on her 84th year of life. In some final thoughts before her death, she wrote that she wanted all to know that she "had a good time and that she believed the best was yet to come." Monica continued, "The eye has not seen nor ear heard what our merciful and loving God has in store for us in our eternal life."

Sr. Monica had been a teacher and a learner in all her long life. A desire to live as a sister was fulfilled when she entered the congregation at the age of 21 and she lived her remaining years deepening her love of God and in service to the beloved people of God.

Sister Monica is survived by her sisters, Catherine Finley, Agnes Dauncey, and Theresa Borden; by her nieces and nephews; and by her Franciscan family. The rosary will be held at 7 P.M. on Monday, June 3, at Pendleton Pioneer Chapel. A memorial Mass of Resurrection will be held at 11 A.M. on Tuesday, June 4, at St. Mary's Catholic Church with burial to follow at Olney Cemetery.