Sister Marion Agnes Jerzak, SSND, dies at 88

A funeral Mass for School Sister of Notre Dame Marion Agnes Jerzak was offered Nov. 27 at Villa Assumpta in Baltimore. Sister Marion, who served six schools in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, died Nov. 15; she was 88.

Born in Pennsylvania and raised in Rochester, N.Y., Sister Marion was taught by the School Sisters of Notre Dame at Most Holy Redeemer School. She spent part of her candidature on a mission to St. Patrick School in Cumberland. A School Sister of Notre Dame for 66 years, she professed her first vows in 1951.

Sister Marion earned a bachelor's degree in education from what was then known as the College of Notre Dame of Maryland in Baltimore, and a master's degree in elementary education from Seton Hall University in N.J.

Ministering mainly as a primary school educator, she taught in the archdiocese at St. Augustine School in Elkridge (1953-56); St. Joseph Passionist Monastery School in Irvington (1956-62); St. Patrick School in Mt. Savage (1965-67) and St. John School in Westminster (1982-83).

Later, she ministered at Villa Assumpta in community service and as a chauffeur.

According to an obituary prepared by her order, she was described as one of "the best kept secrets of the School Sisters of Notre Dame." Sister Marion was a special person of gentleness and unassuming gratefulness. She had a firm, yet gentle teaching style with the young children with whom she spent so many years.

She was also remembered for a great sense of humor and a fun disposition that

attracted others. She also liked to entertain by playing music with her ukulele.	