

Sister Mary Augusta Von Drehle, D.C., dies

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A funeral Mass for Daughter of Charity Sister Mary Augusta Von Drehle was offered Feb. 22 at the Basilica of The National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg. Sister Mary Augusta died Feb. 14. She was 94.

A native of Washington, D.C., Sister Mary Augusta entered her religious order in 1939 and was an educator from 1941 to 1984. In October, she marked 74 years as a Daughter of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

Sister Mary Augusta, who earned a bachelor's in social studies from St. Joseph College in Emmitsburg and a master's in English from Boston College, served at St. Dominic School in Baltimore from 1941 to 1945 and Seton High School in Baltimore from 1968 to 1969 and 1980 to 1984. She also served at schools in Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia and the Archdiocese of Washington.

From 1984 to 1994 Sister Mary Augusta ministered as an educational director of public relations for Daughters of Charity schools and as a librarian in Elizabeth Seton High School in Bladensburg. From 1994 to 2006 she was a docent at The Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. From 2001 to 2012 Sister Mary Augusta served as a tutor for the Literacy Council of Frederick County and from 2012 until her death served in the ministry of prayer at Villa St. Michael in Emmitsburg.

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