Sister Mary Irene Pekar, S.S.N.D

A funeral Mass for Sister Mary Irene Pekar, S.S.N.D., was offered Oct. 23 at the Villa Notre Dame Chapel in Wilton, Conn. Sister Mary Irene died on Oct. 19; she was 89.

One of 16 children, she taught at Blessed Sacrament School in Baltimore from 1938 to 1953, and she taught at other schools in the mid-Atlantic region. She ended her ministry at Lourdes Health Care Center in Wilton, Conn., where she was present with sisters in their last hours of life. After years of ministering to youth; she felt grateful to be called to minister to the dying.