

# St. Monica

St. Monica was born in Algeria in 322. Although a Christian, she had to marry a pagan named Patricius who cheated and had a bad temper. She prayed for the conversion of her husband and also her son, St. Augustine of Hippo. Both men converted. A reformed alcoholic, she was St. Ambrose of Milan's spiritual student. She died in Italy in 387. St. Monica is patron saint of alcoholics and victims of adultery.