



Sister Beth Cosgrove
1927 – 2016

Memorial

Tuesday, June 28, 2016
4:00 p.m.

Our Lady of the Angels Chapel
Wheaton, Illinois

Mass of Christian Burial

Wednesday, June 29, 2016
10:00 a.m.

Our Lady of the Angels Chapel
Wheaton, Illinois

Burial

Assumption Cemetery
Winfield, Illinois

The Wheaton Franciscan Sisters invite your prayers for

SISTER BETH COSGROVE
of The Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sr. Beth Cosgrove at age 88, breathed into the fullness of God June 11, 2016 at Resurrection Life Center, Chicago, Illinois. She entered the Franciscan order in 1953 and professed perpetual vows in 1960. She is preceded in death by her parents Mary (Slimon) and Michael Cosgrove, her sisters Catherine, Pat and Mary, and her brothers James and Jack Cosgrove. Sr. Beth was a woman of deep spiritual wisdom and emanated the joy of life lived in God as a Franciscan in community.

Sr. Beth held several degrees in Education and Counseling as well as being a certified Catholic Chaplain. Sr. Beth's ministry included teaching both at Transfiguration Parish School in Wauconda, IL. and Holy Family Parish School in Pueblo, Colorado. She served through pastoral ministry at St. Anthony's Medical Center, St. Louis. She also served her sisters, the Wheaton Franciscans in leadership as a local directress, as an Associate Director for New Membership for the order, as a Provincial Councilor and a Directress of Formation.

Her Chaplain Ministries included spiritual service at St. Anthony's Medical Center in St. Louis, Marianjoy Hospital in Wheaton, St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Chicago and Oak Park Hospital, Oak Park, IL.

While serving at Oak Park, she lived with her dear friend, Sr. Yvonne Wiza in River Forest, IL. From there they moved to Wheaton Towers and then to the Motherhouse in Wheaton. She moved to Franciscan Woods in Brookfield WI, and later to Resurrection Life Center in Chicago when she required more care.

Sr. Beth enjoyed teaching, community leadership roles, and the challenges of Chaplain Ministry saying she felt "God had blessed me with satisfying ministries." She asked to be remembered "as a woman of love, joy, peace and humor." All who knew her celebrate this woman who now dances fully in the joy and embrace of her God.

May God grant her great joy forever among our Sisters in heaven.

