

## Sr. M. Augustine Finken, 84

*March 9, 1916 - Oct. 14, 2000*

**ST. LOUIS, MO** – Florence Marie Finken was born March 9, 1916, to Matthias and Susan (Jacoby) Finken in Defiance, one of nine children. At the time of Florence's birth, her father owned the hardware store in town. Later, the family moved to a farm in the country. She attended St. Paul's Catholic School in Defiance, and graduated in 1933. In December of 1935, Florence entered the Benedictine Convent of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, MO. She received the name Sr. Augustine. She served the congregation in the Clyde, San Diego and St. Louis monasteries, working in the correspondence department, altar bread department and as portress. She died in the Convent in St. Louis, MO, where she was retired, Oct. 14, 2000.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her infant sister, Bernice; and brothers, Longinus and Howard. Survivors include brothers, William "Bill" Finken, Denver, CO; Fr. Basil Finken, O.S.B., Atchison, KS; Gail (Lolly) Finken, Omaha, NE; sisters Alice (Mel) Stolz, Harlan and Mary Jane Slettedahl, Thousand Oaks, CA; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

The funeral mass was offered by Fr. Daniel Petsche, O.S.B., a cousin of Sr. Augustine. Burial was in the Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Clyde, MO, Oct. 19, 2000.

