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St. Michael Convent
Reading, Pa.
August 1, 1967

Dear Sisters,

Our Lord has called Sister M. Severine to her eternal reward today, August 1, at 2:45 p.m.

Sister M. Severine - Josephine Buecker
Born March 5, 1884 at Nordenfeldmark near Hamm
Entered our Congregation: October 20, 1903
First Profession: May 13, 1905
Final Profession: May 28, 1910
Died at St. Michael's, Reading, Pa. August 1, 1967

With Sister M. Severine's passing away the Congregation has lost one of its pioneer Sisters. Our Congregation had hardly been founded ~~when~~, in 1903, Sister came seeking admission. In 1907 Sister was on her way to the Jaluit Mission where she labored till 1916. World War I brought an abrupt end to her foreign missionary career and for the next fifty years she has labored here in the United States. Her chief field of activity was Sacred Heart Hospital in Allentown, although she spent some years also in Wedron and Limeport.

As a fellowsister and a superior, Sister M. Severine was greatly loved and revered, not only by her Sisters, but also by the people whom she served. Her quiet, unassuming ways attracted all hearts because everyone sensed her genuine goodness. She was especially good to the poor.

In 1964 Sister came to St. Michael's Infirmary because of declining health. To the very end she insisted on helping herself. Her one great joy was reading, but towards the end, God asked even that sacrifice. Her end came rather quickly. In the late afternoon of July 31, Sister was anointed and the next afternoon she went to her eternal reward. We are grateful to God for having given us such a good and holy soul in Sister M. Severine.

The Requiem Mass will be celebrated August 4 at 9:00 a.m. May she rest in peace.

Yours in Corde Jesu,

Mother M. Bridget, MSC