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*"O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of His faithful.*

*Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds."*

(Ps. 116 - Evening Prayers)

Dear Sisters,

*How precious in the eyes of the Lord must be the death of Sister
Marita, as He came to take her home with Him this evening at 10:40 p.m.*



*Sister Marita, MSC
Agnes Selbach
Born: January 10, 1917
First Profession: August 16, 1948
Died: January 19, 1985*

*Sister Marita came to America in May, 1951. From 1951 until 1968,
Sister ministered to her fellow sisters as seamstress in the motherhouse.
In 1968, symptoms of Alzheimer's disease began to show and Sister was
sent to Wedron for a period of rest. In 1970, she returned to the mother-
house infirmary. For some time, Sister was ambulatory, but in 1978, it
became necessary for her to be completely bedridden.*

*Sister will long remain in our memory for her graciousness and kind-
ness, as well as her genuine concern to give each Sister the very best of
her service. However, even more than this, Sister has been a profound
example of total surrender and loving acceptance of the Lord's will during
her long suffering. In these last few days of watching at her bedside, an
unmistakable peace pervaded her room. At the mention of the name of "Mary",
a beautiful expression of love would appear on her countenance.*

*Truly, today this servant of the Lord has been loosed from the bonds
of her infirmity which she carried for so many years. A few moments before
death, her eyes opened wide as her loving Spouse came to take her home.
How precious was the death of His faithful one!*

*The Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated on Tuesday at 3:30 pm
and interment will follow immediately. Let us remain united in prayer
with our dear Sister in her new life with the Lord.*

In the love of Our Lord,

Sr. Agnes Marie MSC.