

Sister Thomasine Ryan SSND - 75 Year Jubilee!



I am presently living at Notre Dame Convent in Waterdown, Ontario and this year, am celebrating 75 years as a School Sister of Notre Dame.

I have two favorite ministries to share. For over ten years I was in charge of the laundry in Notre Dame Convent. I experienced joy and satisfaction in sending clean, white clothing, linens and other articles, to all the sisters and boarding students, as well as the various departments.

In later years I was missioned to Kenora, Ontario where I spent many happy years visiting the elderly and sick and helping at a soup kitchen serving hot meals for people in need.



Sister Thomasine was born in Hamilton, Ontario on June 12, 1926. She was one of four children to parents, Gertrude Buckingham and Daniel Ryan, both from England. Sister Thomasine entered the congregation in Waterdown, Ontario on August 12, 1941 and professed first vows two years later. Sister Thomasine ministered in food service, homemaking and housekeeping for 40 years at Catholic schools in Kitchner, Waterloo, Hamilton, Elora and at the motherhouse in Waterdown and at St. Agatha Orphanage in St. Agatha, Ontario. Sister Thomasine then ministered at the Notre Dame motherhouse in community service and laundry duties for ten years before she went to Kenora in Northern Ontario where she visited the elderly and served those in need at a soup kitchen. In the summer of 2005, Sister Thomasine returned to Notre Dame Motherhouse and ministered in Catechetical Correspondence and now ministers in prayer and presence.

