

Sister Sharon Kroetsch, SSND – 70 Year Jubilee!



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I was born August 20, 1934, the second of eight children. Family time was very important when growing up.

We had family prayers in the evening and each child had a part in the prayers. We also had family chores and we helped each other with homework. We are a very close-knit family.

I knew as a young girl that I wanted to be a School Sister of Notre Dame like my two older sisters.

I kept this idea to myself until the second year of high school when I got the courage to ask my parents if I could go to Waterdown; not as a boarder but as a candidate.

After much discussion and being told by my parents to pray over it, the decision was made that I could go as an Aspirant. This brought me great joy.

I began my Candidature days on September 8, 1951. I promised my First Vows July 30, 1954 and Final Vows July 30 1960. Exactly 10 years after sitting as a girl in these same pews watching my sisters receive their SSND Habit, it was finally my turn!

I was blessed to work as a Teacher, Principal, a member of the Hamilton Marriage Tribunal, and also assist in SSND community Service in Waterdown.

I lived in Lingfield England and Aroland, Ontario (working with the Anderson Lake Native Ministry), as well as other SSND communities along my journey.

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