

May 29, 2001

Bless O Lord, the journey we are about to undertake for the glory of your Holy Name, for the honor of your most Blessed Mother, and for the salvation of souls. May your holy angels be with us, now and in our last journey to eternity. Amen.

Dear Sisters:

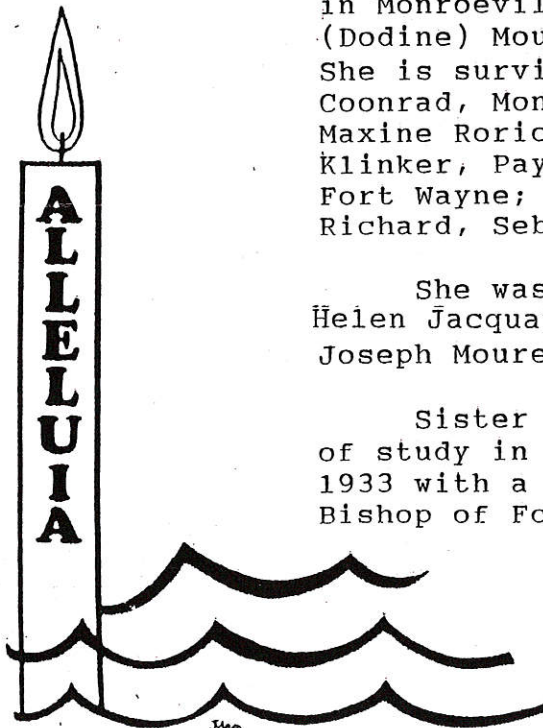
This, our Prayer for Travel symbolizes our lives quite well from hour to hour. Not for our own glory or honor are we on this journey but for the salvation of others in one way or another. Sister Evelyn Mourey's last journey was May 23, 2001. She had certainly given glory to Christ, honor to His Mother as she shared herself generously in the improvement of lives in this world and for eternity.

Sister Evelyn hoped for more years to continue bringing comfort to others even after her cancer surgeries. She died peacefully about 3:55 that Wednesday morning. Sisters had been sitting with her all day Tuesday and until her death. Sisters Rose Elizabeth Hohner and Fidelis Roels were with her at that time.

Sister Evelyn was born November 3, 1918, in Monroeville, Indiana, to Leonard and Eva C. (Dodine) Mourey. Both parents are deceased. She is survived by: 4 sisters, Ruth Ann Coonrad, Monroeville; Blanche Schaefer and Maxine Rorick, both of Ft. Wayne, Pauline Klinker, Payne Ohio, and 4 brothers, Joseph, Fort Wayne; James, Port Rickey, Florida; Richard, Sebring, Florida; and Edwin, New Haven.

She was preceded in death by 2 sisters, Helen Jacquay, Rita Gerardot and 1 brother, Joseph Mourey.

Sister completed the elementary course of study in St. Louis School, Fort Wayne in 1933 with a diploma signed: John Francis Noll, Bishop of Fort Wayne. She would continue her



education into many fields to be able to serve the various needs in the missions during her life.

Sister entered Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters Congregation October 28, 1939 and made first vows August 5, 1942. She has ministered in Ohio, Alabama, Missouri, Colorado, Wyoming, Texas, California, and Bolivia, South America as well as in Victory Noll Health Care Center. Besides these ministries of directing religious education programs and in health care, Sister was engaged in projects: coordinating of adult and child learning at Sister Evelyn Mourey Center in El Centro, California, organizing christian youth groups and communities; health education, and she watered many gardens and planted more trees. In Bolivia, she helped women in Mothers' Clubs to appreciate the soybeans and soymilk sent as commodities from the United States; taught sewing, knitting, and crocheting to them; organized a pharmacy that sold medicine for less, planned a small co-op of 7 families to buy a piece of land and start cultivating it. Now they have 4 cows grazing on the pasture.

The wake for Sister Evelyn was Friday evening, May 25. Some of the family was present. Her sister, Blanche, shared with us Evelyn's love for music and her visits home.

The Liturgy of Christian Burial was at 10:30 Saturday morning. Father Thomas Fahey presided and about seventy-five members of the family were present. The family participated in the singing, as lector, placing of pall and symbol, carrying offertory gifts, and Sister Melanie Persche gave the homily.

Weather conditions were not the best but the family and many Sisters followed in procession to the cemetery.

A delicious dinner was served with wine and pie.

Sister Evelyn, we know of your desire to return to Bolivia and your quest to Blessed Pierre Toussaint for a miracle. They were denied you. However, now you can see our needs and seek help for all of us. Thank you so much for your example.

Sincerely,

Sr. Marjorie Curran

Sister Marjorie
General Secretary

