



*When at last we die, your loving kindness
calls us back to life.*

Preface I

SISTER MARY DARIA GILDEA, RSM

Birth	April 5, 1916
Entrance	September 6, 1934
Profession	March 12, 1937
Death	March 16, 1999

Sister Mary Daria was born April 6, 1916 to Neil and Mary Gildea in Savannah, Georgia. She attended St. Vincent's Grammar School and St. Vincent's Academy.

Sister's life seems to have divided itself into three distinct periods. Her teaching career found her for the most part teaching in the primary grades especially her favorite second grade. Her assignments took her to schools in Baltimore, Mobile, Columbus, Rockville, Macon, and Savannah. In addition, she spent a few years at St. Mary's Home in Savannah. Those of us who had the pleasure of living with Sister remember particularly her subtle and sharp Irish wit. She provided us with many a hearty laugh.

Pressing family needs took her home to nurse her own sisters, Mary, Katie and Florence. Hers was an example of dedicated service.

And finally, God asked several years of prayerful suffering from Sister M. Daria. Even a massive stroke did not deny her of her twinkling eyes and deep dimples.

She died at The Villa, Baltimore, March 16, 1999. She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Sr. M. Felicitas Powers, RSM