



St. Anne Province Center
Melbourne, Kentucky
May 1, 2026

SISTER DOLORES ANN GOHS
was called into eternal life.

Born June 10, 1942 in Dayton, Kentucky, Sr. Dolores Ann Gohs entered eternal life on April 28, 2026 at Holy Family Home. She was eighty-three years old and a professed member of the Congregation of Divine Providence for sixty-five years.

Dolores Ann was the oldest of six children born to Walter and Loretta Gohs. She is preceded in death by her sister Sylvia Seurkamp. She is survived by her sisters Sr. Paula, CDP, Pauline Grome, Mary Rose Kremer, and Margie Graman, her brothers-in-law George Seurkamp, Jim Grome, Bernie Graman, and Paul Kremer, and nieces and nephews.

At an early age, Sr. Dolores resolved to serve God in religious life. She was inspired by the goodness, compassion, generosity, commitment, and service of her parents and of the Sisters of Divine Providence who taught her at St. Bernard's School in Dayton, Kentucky and in high school at Our Lady of Providence Academy, Newport. She loved and admired the sisters and wanted to be like them. As a child, she dressed like them and taught school to her younger sisters. She spent time with the sisters and helped them with the church work. After much prayer and discernment, Sr. Dolores responded to God's call and entered St. Anne Convent on August 15, 1957. She made her first profession of vows on August 29, 1960, and final vows on August 29, 1965.

Most of Sr. Dolores's active ministry was in teaching, which was her gift and a great blessing for her students, their parents, and her co-workers. Her dedication and hard work brought her much satisfaction and joy. Sister worked hard to help each child reach his/her potential. She was tireless in writing grants, planning activities, and having fun in general.

Sr. Dolores was well prepared for this important ministry. She received her A.B. from Thomas More College (now University), her M.Ed. from the University of Dayton, and her Principal Certification from Xavier University.

Throughout her many years in the field of education, Sr. Dolores served as teacher, teacher/principal, and principal. All her places of ministry were in Kentucky: Christ the King School in Lexington from 1960 to 1964, Our Lady of the Mountains School in Paintsville from 1964 to 1965, St. Ann School in West Covington from 1965 to 1967, St. Joseph School in Camp Springs from 1967 to 1970, St. Bernard School in Dayton from 1970 to 1975, St. Francis de Sales School in Newport from 1975 to 1984, Holy Spirit School in Newport from 1984 to 1987, Good Shepherd School in Frankfort from 1987 to 1995, Holy Spirit (became Holy Trinity in

2002) School in Newport from 1995 to 2003, and St. Philip School in Melbourne from 2003 to 2014.

In 2014 Sr. Dolores was asked to be the Archivist of the Province. She served in this capacity until 2022. Her organizational skills were put to good use when the archives were moved to a climate-controlled room. During this time, Sister also volunteered in the St. Philip School library and tutored immigrants in English at *El Centro de la Divina Providencia*. The onset of dementia slowly took over her abilities, and she needed to retire to Holy Family Home and eventually to the Health Care Center.

In her prayer life, Sr. Dolores was faithful and reverent. In community, she was generous and creative with her gifts. There wasn't anything she couldn't or wouldn't do for others. Sister loved life and knew how to have fun. She was always upbeat, cheerful, and very funny. Being with her was usually a good time.

In her reflections, Sr. Dolores expressed her deep gratitude, awe, and wonder in God's great goodness to her. She felt especially graced by the joy and inspiration of the sisters in community, her family, her co-workers, and her many friends. All these relationships left her with a remarkable sense of God's love in this life and as a foretaste of eternity. Sr. Dolores truly believed that God's Presence was always with her and that people and circumstances were gifts to be treasured. She gave thanks to God for all and could only "Sing of the Lord's Goodness!"

In thanksgiving for our dear Sr. Dolores Ann and for her witness as a loving, joyful woman of Providence and as a woman of prayer, compassion, and loving service throughout her religious life, let us entrust her to the care of our Provident God.

United in God's gracious Providence,

Sister Barbara Patrick, CDP for
Sister Barbara Rohe, CDP, Provincial

Wake Service and Mass of Christian Burial: Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 10:00 A.M.

Immaculate Conception Chapel, Melbourne

Burial in the Convent Cemetery, Melbourne, Kentucky