

ABOUT: MARGUERITE MCARDLE

Born: 6-1-1895

Place: Monroeville, Indiana

Died: 1-10-1966

Cause of death:

Burial: Catholic Cemetery

Marguerite was the seventh child of Peter and Margaret English O'Toole McArdle. She was educated in the Monroeville school and attended Sacred Heart Academy in Fort Wayne, Indiana after the 8th grade. Her father wanted her to be the lady of the family, whereas, Mary was designed to stay at home and tend to the duties there. Marguerite worked for the state in some capacity and lived in Fort Wayne at different times. After the death of her parents she returned to the farm in Monroeville and took over the duties with her sister and brother, Harry. When her brother, Frank's, wife died leaving eight children she became the surrogate mother. Six of the children went to the St. Vincent's Orphanage and the two older boys went to live with Marguerite, Mary and Harry on the farm. When the farm was eventually sold, Marguerite and Mary purchased a small house across from the St. Rose Catholic Church playground. Marguerite died while living at this home. Her sister, Mary, remained there until she went to the Sacred Heart Home in Avilla, Indiana, where she died in 1972 at age 82.

Marguerite was a petite person like her mother. She was a pretty woman with delicate manners and personality. She was a capable woman and took charge of the many duties she was asked to do.

Marguerite never married but cared for the many children in her life around her. Everyone was fond of her and spoke with affection toward her.