

SISTER MARY



October 29, 1927

June 8, 2024

When you approach the Monastery from almost any road in Reno, the first thing you will notice are the trees which line the driveway and cover the property. They exist as a memorial to Sister Mary's dedication and perseverance.

Like a modern day "Johnny Appleseed", Mary spent years planting, watering, caring for the trees-even carrying buckets of water by hand to insure their survival.

After a lifetime of frenetic activity as gardener, cook, nurse, her final years of inactivity weighed deeply upon her.



After a very long journey on earth, Sister Mary transitioned to heaven on June 8th, the day on which we celebrate a day consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. That day was very fitting as Sister Mary's motto, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord", echoed the Blessed Virgin's.