

## A LATING LEGACY

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### Sister Adrienne Beauregard, pm, leaves behind a lasting legacy for the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary and Rivier University

Rivier mourned the loss of a devoted member of the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary and the University community with the passing of Sister Adrienne Beauregard, pm, on Saturday, May 3 in Manchester, N.H. at the age of 101.

A direct collaborator with Sister Madeleine of Jesus, Rivier’s founder, Sister Adrienne provided 63 years of dedicated service to Rivier University. She earned her bachelor’s degree in 1943 and worked in positions of finance and administration—including providing wise financial counsel and oversight as Rivier’s treasurer for 43 years, a role in which she worked tirelessly to ensure the institution’s financial vitality.

She has been recognized by Sister Paula Marie Buley, IHM, President as a “master builder” for her decades of work that created the foundation on which Rivier strongly stands today. “Through her faithful service, Sister Adrienne stands as a beacon of Rivier’s motto, ‘altiora et meliora,’ higher and better,” says Sister Paula.

In recognition of her dedicated service, Sister Adrienne received the Sister Madeleine of Jesus Award in 1985, the highest tribute the Alumni Association bestows on a Rivier graduate. She was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Business Administration at the 2004 Commencement ceremony where she was recognized for her sound financial stewardship, steadfast commitment to mission, and willingness to quietly perform many modest but essential tasks throughout the years.

Sister Adrienne was presented with the Rivier University Inaugural Founder’s Medal during the celebration of her 100th birthday in August 2012 in recognition of her founding vision, her leadership, and her transformative heart and mind in service to the world (*see photo above left*). In honoring Sister

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Adrienne at the celebration, Sister Paula stated, “The legacy of Sister Madeleine of Jesus has been strengthened and supported through the life, the witness, the work, the service, the love, and the joy of Sister Adrienne. In celebrating Sister Adrienne, we celebrate all those who have transformed hearts and minds to serve the world.”

Adrienne Hall, an administrative building on the Rivier University campus, was named in honor of Sister Adrienne in 1969. A tribute plaque displayed in the foyer recognizes that “her brilliance in the field of finance was matched only by her enduring commitment to the mission and the people of Rivier. She inspired us all.”

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Rivier University in support of Resurrection Chapel and the Gateway Projects, 420 South Main Street, Nashua, N.H. ■