

Mary M. Torrens, of Newburgh, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Wednesday, June 1, 2005 in Elant Nursing Home in Newburgh. She was 90.

Miss Torrens retired in 1980 from South Junior High School after a teaching career of 44 years. She was head of the English Department and taught English, Latin and was also a drama coach and dance teacher.

Miss Torrens was a tough, but fair, teacher with a great sense of humor. Her students had a profound respect for her.

Mary was superintendent of Sunday School at Grace Church for 20 years. Also organizing a Breakfast Club to the delight of everyone who took part.

Mary was a voracious reader and world traveler. She loved telling humorous stories of her travels to the delight of her friends.

Mary chose for her service in Grace Church some of her favorite hymns and words of scripture.

This lovely, gracious lady will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Miss Torrens wished to have these thoughts included in her obituary, "Pupils have always been very special to me. This is my chance to say farewell to all the students I have taught over these many years. I hope that some of you can attend the church service. It will be our last class."