

Miss Mary Goodwin Dies in New Orleans

Miss Mary Frances Goodwin, a sister of the late Rt. Rev. Frederick D. Goodwin, a former Episcopal bishop of the

Diocese of Virginia, died Tuesday night in New Orleans.

Miss Goodwin, formerly of Richmond and Charlottesville, was herself an active church worker, known primarily for historical research and for taking an active role in the restoration of Colonial Williamsburg.

She was the daughter of the late Rev. Edward Lewis Goodwin, historiographer of the diocese and rector of churches in Virginia communities that included Richmond and Wytheville. Miss Goodwin had also done much of the research for her father's book, "The Colonial Church in Virginia," and for the book by the Rev. G. MacLaren Brydon, "Virginia's Mother Church."

A frequent contributor to church and historical publications, she also was the author of the report on the lines of the parishes in the Episcopal Diocese Of Southern Virginia. For many years she also served as statistician of the Diocese of Virginia and as manager of the Episcopal Book Shop before it became the Episcopal Book Store.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Margaret Ballard of New Orleans.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in Wytheville.