

VON TRAPP FAMILY

Agathe Johanna Erwina Gobertina von Trapp (1913 to 2010)

Agathe sang first soprano in the choir, together with her sister Johanna von Trapp. After her father's death in 1947, the family ceased performing. She became a naturalized U.S. citizen in 1948.<sup>[4][5]</sup> She later moved to Baltimore, Maryland, where she and her longtime friend, Mary Louise Kane, who lived with Agathe for five decades, operated a private kindergarten for 35 years at the Sacred Heart Catholic parish in Glyndon, Maryland. Ms. Kane reported Agathe's death to the media.<sup>[6]</sup>

Of the Trapp Family Singers siblings featured in "The Sound of Music", only Maria Franziska (1914) survives. Rosemarie von Trapp (born 1929), Eleonore von Trapp (born 1931), and Johannes von Trapp (born 1939) are also alive, but they are half-siblings and not part of the original seven.

Agathe von Trapp	12 March 1913		works as a singer and an artist, now lives in Baltimore, Maryland, no issue.
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Childhood

Agathe was born on 12 March 1913 in Pola, Istria, then part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire (present-day Pula, Croatia).<sup>[2]</sup> She was the eldest daughter<sup>[2]</sup> and the second of ten children<sup>[3]</sup> born to Georg von Trapp. The first seven of these were born to his first wife, Agathe Whitehead, while the youngest three: Rosmarie,

Eleonore, and Johannes, half-siblings to the elder seven, were born to Georg's second wife, Maria Augusta Kutschera.<sup>[4]</sup> Agathe von Trapp spent her early years, throughout World War I and after, near Zell am See, Austria.<sup>[5]</sup>

After the war, Agathe moved with her family to a house called "the Martinschlossl", in Klosterneuburg, a half hour train ride from Vienna, near the Danube.<sup>[6]</sup> She and her family finally settled near Salzburg, in the town of Aigen in 1925.<sup>[7]</sup> Agathe was tutored by a governess at home until age 11, when she started attending a local school.<sup>[8]</sup> Agathe was surrounded by music at an early age,<sup>[9]</sup> and her father began teaching her guitar when she was in her early teens. Agathe's mother, Agathe Whitehead von Trapp, died of scarlet fever in 1922,<sup>[10]</sup> when Agathe was almost 10 years old.<sup>[8]</sup> Her father remarried six years later, to Maria Augusta Kutschera, in November 1927.<sup>[11]</sup>