

Christine McGuire, Eldest of the Singing Sisters, Is Dead at 92

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Christine McGuire, the eldest of the singing McGuire Sisters, who struck gold on the pop charts in the 1950s with “Sincerely,” “Sugartime” and other close-harmony hits that won young American hearts not quite ready for rock ‘n’ roll, died on Dec. 28 at her home in Las Vegas. She was 92.

Ms. McGuire’s family confirmed her death in a statement released on Friday. No cause was given.

With their identical dresses and hairdos, synchronized movements and sweetly innocent voices, the McGuire Sisters — Christine, Dorothy and Phyllis — were the musical embodiment of popular culture in their day, singing for audiences who watched “Your Hit Parade” on television and listened to Perry Como, Patti Page and the lingering postwar strains of the big band era.

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