

Sr. Lucille Verga, C.S.JB. - 90 years old
Sister of Saint John the Baptist for 72 years

Sr. Lucille Verga, C.S.JB. passed peacefully to her eternal reward at Providence Rest Nursing Home, Bronx, NY on Sunday, October 4, 2015. Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated for her on Friday, October 9, 2015 at Providence Rest Chapel, Bronx, New York. Sister was interred at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Westchester, NY.

Sister Lucille was born on August 13, 1925 to Gaetano & Lucia in Brooklyn. She entered the Sisters of St. John the Baptist in February 2, 1943 at St. John Villa Academy in Staten Island. She received her final vows in August 29, 1949. Many parishioners of Most Precious Blood Parish, Brooklyn, NY still remember Sister Lucille. Her love of people made her an asset in parish life in the mid 1940's.

Sisters's educational background began with NY Diocesan Teacher's Certificate in 1952. BS in Seton Hall University in 1956, MS in Guidance-Psychology in Fordham University 1967 and MA in Italian Language in Middlebury College in 1993.

After four years ministering in the parish, Sister Lucille began teaching Elementary school at St. Lucy School, Newark, NJ, and at St. James School, NYC (1951 to 1952) and later became Principal of St. James School in NY Lower Manhattan from 1959-1968. From 1968 through 1983, Sr. Lucille was assigned to Mt. St. John Academy, Gladstone, NJ in the Diocese of Paterson as a teacher, Director of the Residency Program, and a Principal of the school. In 1983 – 1985 Sister Lucille taught at St. Dominic School, Bronx, NY and was Principal at St. Roch School, Staten Island, NY from 1985-1988.

Sr. Lucille also taught at St. John Villa high School, Staten Island, NY from 1988 to 1991, and as a Guidance Counselor 1991-1996.

In 1996, Sr. Lucille ministered at Providence Rest Nursing Home Convent as Local Superior while teaching part-time at Mercy College in the Bronx for three years. Subsequently from 1999 to 2006 Sr. Lucille ministered in various capacities where she was needed.

In 2006, Sister Lucille came to reside at the retirement home of the Congregation at Mt St. John Convent, Purchase, NY.

Sister Lucille will be remembered as a dedicated religious who faithfully fulfilled her ministerial and communal responsibilities. Her students will remember her for the love she had for them and the joy she brought them. To her family and Religious community, Sister Lucille will be remembered for her cheerfulness, generosity and her caring ways.

Sister is survived by her loving and caring nieces and nephews.