

SR. JOHN GREGORY FERRAIOLI, C.S.JB.

December 14, 1924 – November 28, 2005

Sr. John Gregory Ferraioli was born on December 14, 1924 in Staten Island, New York to Gregorio Ferraioli and Giovannina Esposito.

Sister entered the Congregation of Sisters of St. John the Baptist on December 8, 1951 and on August 31, 1953 made her first profession of vows.

From 1953 to 1962 Sister taught at St. Dominic School in the Bronx. On August 15, 1962, the feast of Our Lady's Assumption, Sr. John Gregory very generously responded to God's call to move to Stirling, New Jersey, where she taught at St. Vincent de Paul School for the next four years. In 1966 Sister was transferred to St. John Villa Academy on Staten Island and continued her ministry of teaching until 1970, when she assumed the position of principal of St. Roch School on Staten Island. In September of 1981, Sr. John Gregory returned to St. John Villa Academy elementary school where she continued to do God's work until her retirement in August 2002.

During her very active life of teaching and school administration, Sr. John Gregory always found much joy and great fulfillment in her work...whether it was teaching God's little ones in the first grade or administering to the faculty, students and families as principal...Sister fulfilled all that God called her to do in a spirit of loving generosity and heartfelt dedication. Her warm smile, kind and compassionate manner, and affectionate personality always reflected the person of Jesus, whom she loved and served so faithfully every day of her religious life.

On December 13, 2002, after 50 years of loving service to God, the Church and the Congregation, Sr. John Gregory retired to Mt. St. John Convent, Purchase, New York. Due to the need for greater skilled nursing care, Sister was transferred to Providence Rest Nursing Home on November 9, 2005. Soon after, Sister was admitted to Westchester Square Medical Center, where on November 28, 2005 Sister was called home to her God and Father and is now enjoying the fullness of His eternal vision and peace.

"May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem."