



Sister Francis Marie Caroli
March 10, 2011

On March 10, 2011, God's welcoming arms embraced Sister Francis Marie. This religious woman served her God with great grace, quiet dignity and gentleness filled with compassion. Sister's smile and bright eyes welcomed all whom she encountered; her students in education, her teens that she helped at Covenant House, her family and friends that she loved and her religious sisters in community. Her eyes spoke of her loving heart that had room for all.

On August 19, 1918, Peter Caroli and Carmela Cisterina, both from Italy, gave birth to a baby girl whom they named Louise. On September 8, 1934, Louise Caroli entered from her home parish of Mount Carmel in Utica, the Sisters of St. Francis of Syracuse. Sister Francis Marie made her Final Profession on August 21, 1940.

Sister Francis Marie received her B.S. in Humanities in 1954 from LeMoyne College and in 1962 she received a B.S. in Home Economics from Marywood College. Sister's ministry was teaching. For many years Sister taught in various schools in New York State and the State of New Jersey. She was an original member of the group that worked at Covenant House in New York City. Sister's final gift of service was as a prayer minister at Jolenta. Her beautiful presence will be missed.

On March 14, 2011 a Mass of Christian Burial was held at 7 P.M. in St. Anthony convent Chapel. Calling hours were from 4 – 6:30 P.M. A farewell service was held at 8:30 A.M. on March 15 in the convent chapel. Burial followed at 10:00 A.M. in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Utica, NY.

Sister Francis Marie, rest in peace.

