

Sister M. Charles McCarthy Obituary

Sister M. Charles McCarthy, 95 years old, a member of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family for 73 years and a resident at the Motherhouse in Fremont, California, entered into rest in Fremont on Monday, April 24, 2006. Sister Charles was born on September 12, 1910 in San Francisco, California to Charles and Jane McCarthy.



Sister Charles entered the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family on July 1, 1933. Her ministries as a Religious Education Teacher and Coordinator were performed at parishes throughout California and Nevada. Additionally, Sister Charles ministered in several of the Congregation's day homes including Holy Family Day Home in San Francisco, and St. Elizabeth's Day Home in San Jose, and was Director for 11 years (1955-1967) at the Divine Providence Variety Day Home in Las Vegas, Nevada (now known as Variety Early Learning Center). Sister Charles also served as Assistant Chaplain at Laguna Honda Hospital in San Francisco for a number of years.

A Master of Science Degree in Social Work from The Catholic University of America, Washington D.C., was conferred upon Sister Charles in May 1945. Sister's Dissertation, "Social Service in the Programs of Twenty Day Nurseries" is on file at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of the Holy Family.

Sister Charles is survived by three nieces, Eunice Malaret and Serena O'Sullivan of San Francisco, Mary Jane Wright of Aptos, and a nephew, Charles McCarthy of Lafayette.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at the Motherhouse Chapel of the Sisters of the Holy Family, 159 Washington Blvd., Fremont, California, on Thursday, April 27, 2006 at 10:30 a.m. Burial will take place at Holy Cross Cemetery in Colma at 2 p.m.

Contributions may be made to the works of the Sisters of the Holy Family, P.O. Box 3248, Fremont, CA 94539.