



Sr. Carmen de Barros O.S.F.

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Sr. Carmen de Barros, formerly Sr. Francis Mary, died Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at the convent. Born March 10, 1923 in Havana, Cuba, she is daughter of Francisca (Nee: Coll) and Leonardo de Barros.

She entered the convent September 5, 1944 and made her final vows August 12, 1951. A teacher of Spanish, Biology and Religion as well as being a student counselor, she taught at Oldenburg Academy in Oldenburg, Indiana, Scecina High School and St. Mary's Academy in Indianapolis, Indiana and Our Lady of Angels High School in Cincinnati, Ohio. Stepping away from teaching after 43 years, she would found the Casa Franciscana de Alegria in Chicago, Illinois. It provided Hispanic women a place to go to explore and understand their call to service for God and Church. After fourteen years as director, she would retire to the Motherhouse in Oldenburg.

Sr. Carmen grew up in Cuba and came to the U.S. in 1944 to accept a scholarship at Marian University in Indianapolis, entering the Srs. of St. Francis after graduation. She would later be part of the inaugural group chosen for Scecina High School's "Crusader Wall of Honors" that recognizes and honors those individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the achievements and prestige of Scecina.

She is survived by numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she is also preceded in death by her brother Leonardo de Barros. Visitation is Monday, June 9th, from 1 - 3 p.m. at the convent. Funeral services follow at 3 p.m. with Rev. Gerald Kirkoff officiating. Burial will follow in the convent cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Srs. of St. Francis, P.O. Box 100, Oldenburg, IN, 47036 (www.OldenburgFranciscans.org).



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MJ

Marycarmen Jones posted:

My mother, Mary Louise (McManus) Jones, went to Marion College with her friend who became Sister Carmen. Sister Carmen is my namesake. The letters we wrote to each other over the years hold a place in my heart. Rest in peace. You were greatly loved.

September 14 at 7:01 AM

VR

Veronica Spiegl -Martin Of Raleigh, Nc posted:

In memory of my favorite Spanish teacher who still inspires me to this very day- almost 40 years later. Nada te turbe Nada te espante Todo se pasa Dios no se muda La paciencia todo lo alcanza. Quien a Dios tiene nada le falta. Solo Dios Basta! This prayer written lovingly and decorated with rose pictures, still sits in the original frame on my bedroom dresser: de Sr. Carmen I know that she will be deeply missed by those she has touched along the way, including me. (Mary) Veronica Spiegl Scecina Memorial 1976

June 8 at 8:00 PM



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