



***“Love what you do...share what you have, and you will be given one-hundredfold in return.” - Sister Mary Marcianna Trujillo***

Sister Mary Marcianna Trujillo, 92, a Sister of Charity of Leavenworth (SCL) for 73 years, died on Sept. 16, 2022, in Ross Hall at the Mother House in Leavenworth, Kan. She was a devoted soul who loved her various ministries, her family, friends, and SCL Community. She was an inspiration to all who knew her.

The fifth of 10 children, Julia Rainey was born on April 5, 1930, in the ranching and farming community of Watrous, N.M. to Ventura and Annie (Gonzalez) Trujillo. Ventura died young leaving Annie alone to raise the surviving children. Annie was a woman of great faith and deep love of God. She was a lifelong inspiration to her daughter, Julia, who shared this faith and strong work ethic. Upon her high school graduation, Julia was accepted into nursing school with a full scholarship. In preparation for her training, Julia took a job at St. Anthony’s Hospital in Las Vegas, N.M. A Sister from the SCLs traveled to the hospital to teach a Bible course to employees and that was the beginning of the end of Julia’s nursing future. A young and inspired Julia entered the SCL Community as Sister Julia Rainey on Aug. 18, 1949, and later changed her religious name to Sister Mary Marcianna. For the next 73 years, Sister Mary Marcianna embraced every opportunity to share her love of God and the SCL charism with others.

Sister Mary Marcianna spent her first years teaching in the Midwest and Peru. Students remember her as a teacher in and out of the classroom, an ultimate mentor who was a strong force in a small package. For the next 16 years, Sister served as an operator for the Mother House switchboard, providing a welcoming, knowledgeable spirit to all she encountered. In 1990, she was invited to work at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish among the growing Latino community of Omaha, Nebr. Sister served as the director of religious education for 15 years. In this ministry, she saw immigrants arriving daily looking for a better life for their families. Part of her job involved religious teaching to children who were enrolled in public schools. With Sister Mary Marcianna’s help, this program grew from 85 to 600 participants. During her time at the parish, Sister received many acclamations including recognition for her work as Women in Ministry to the Poor, by Creighton University, Omaha, Nebr.; an award for Outstanding Minister from the Archdiocese of Omaha; and August 29, 2004, was deemed Sister Mary Marcianna Trujillo Day by the city of Omaha. She was also appointed an Admiral in the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska, which is seen as one of the highest honors in the state. There are many noteworthy awards Sister Mary Marcianna received during her lifetime, which serve as proof of the love, loyalty, and dedication she devoted to each ministry. In 2005, Sister Mary Marcianna became a greeter and translator for Duchesne Clinic in Kansas City, Kan. She retired to Ross Hall in 2007 where she was a fervent pray-er and companion.

Preceding Sister Mary Marcianna’s death were her parents; three brothers John, Bennie, and Marcelino; three sisters Dora Turowski, Gloria, and Angie Trujillo; and her deceased Sisters of the SCL Community. She is survived by three sisters Marie Orca, Jo Noah, and Stella Strother; numerous nieces and nephews; and her SCL Community. There will be a void in the hearts of many because of the loss of Sister Mary Marcianna, however, her mantra will live on forever— “Love what you do, reach out to others, share what you have, and you will be given one-hundredfold in return.” Sister has surely received her hundredfold.

**Thursday, Sept. 29, 2022**  
Homecoming — 4:00 p.m.  
Vigil Service — 7:00 p.m.  
Ross Chapel

**Friday, Sept. 30, 2022**  
Mass of Christian Burial  
10:30 a.m.  
Ross Chapel