

Birth August 26, 1950

Baptism September 10, 1950

Profession January 1, 1971

Death August 10, 2019

Burial Sancta Maria in Ripa Cemetery, St. Louis

Precious and blessed is the death of the faithful before God ... for they die in union with their dear Jesus, in the grace of God, in peace.

Blessed Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger Foundress of the School Sisters of Notre Dame Letter 11, September 10, 1831

In Loving Memory

Sister Margaret Mary Judge

on the morning of August 10, 2019. She was the fifth of seven children born to Margaret Mary (Powers) and Lawrence Judge on August 26, 1950 at St. Mary's Hospital in St. Louis. She was baptized at Immaculate Conception Church in St. Louis on September 10, 1950 and named after her mother, Margaret Mary. The close-knit Irish family of four girls and three boys enjoyed many happy adventures as they grew up. Her sister, Kathleen, entered the School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND) and her brother, Tony, became a Redemptorist priest.

Margaret Mary or affectionately Maggi, attended Immaculate Conception Grade School and St. Alphonsus (Rock) High School. During her high school years, she worked as a messenger at Incarnate Word Hospital and a telephone operator and admitting clerk at Cardinal Glennon Hospital, following in the footsteps of her older sisters.

Her first contact with the School Sisters of Notre Dame came when her older sister, Kathleen, entered at Sancta Maria in Ripa in 1959. As Maggi saw how dedicated the sisters were to community life and ministry and having been taught by them for four years at Rock, she also chose to enter SSND. She entered the postulate at St. Alphonsus (Rock) Church, St. Louis, on August 21, 1968. She was received into the novitiate on July 26, 1969. She professed on January 1, 1971 and professed her final vows on May 7, 1977 at St. Alphonsus (Rock) Church.

Sister Maggi earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics from the former Notre Dame College, St. Louis, in 1972 and a master's degree in elementary education from Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, in 1982.

For her first 11 years of ministry, Sister Maggi was a junior high teacher at Our Lady of Sorrows, St. Louis; Our Lady of Lourdes, Washington, Missouri; and St. Peter Cathedral, Belleville, Illinois. She ministered at St. Charles Borromeo, St. Charles, Missouri, for the next 36 years as a teacher, tutor, assistant principal and administrative assistant. She was a pillar of the school.

Sister Maggi was called home to God unexpectedly on the morning of August 10, 2019, 16 days before her 69th birthday. She was living with and a care-giver for her older sister, Maryellen.

The wake was held at Theresa Center on August 15, 2019. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated the following morning with her brother, Rev. Tony Judge, CSSR, presiding and nine priests concelebrating. Burial was in the Sancta Maria in Ripa cemetery.

Relatives, classmates, SSND, Redemptorists, friends, former students and coworkers came together to celebrate her life and ministry.

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Many members of the St. Charles Borromeo school and parish came for the visitation and funeral services. The presence of over 300 people at her funeral attests to the high regard in which, she was held.

Sister Maggi is survived by her sisters, Sister Kathleen Judge; Maryellen Judge and Patricia (Peter) Milstein; her brothers, Rev. Tony Judge, CSSR and Larry Judge; her sister-in-law, Margaret, other relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Joe Judge.

Sister Maggi deeply cherished her family and gave loving care to her sister, Maryellen. She was an excellent math teacher, tutor and administrator. Her years of service at St. Charles Borromeo endeared her to many families and she will be greatly missed. Students made posters to express their love for all that she had meant to them through the years and expressing their gratitude for her patience, understanding, compassion. She was very devoted to Our Lady of Perpetual Help and her favorite prayer was the Memorare. She loved chocolate chip ice cream and cookies and was a great fan of the St. Louis Cardinals. May she now rejoice in her new life with her God as she joins her parents and older brother, Joe, who have gone before her into eternal life.

By Sister Carol Marie Wildt, SSND