

Sister Marion Farrell

Entered eternal life on April 9, 2017

Daughter, Wife, Mother, Religious, perhaps these virtues along, with the deep call of God is what drew Marion to Elizabeth Seton and the Sisters of Charity.

Marion was a nurse before entering the Community. Her passion for her profession moved her to pursue higher education and concern for those she cared for.

Marion used her social work and nursing skills in several ministries at Fox House, New York, Lincoln Hill Village, West Milford, New Jersey, Director of Saint Francis Residence, Paterson, New Jersey, and Administrator of our own Saint Anne Villa.



I first met Marion at Saint Francis, when she asked me to do several programs for the women. Her love and concern for them was evident. These were women who had lived most of their lives working in Paterson and making their home at Saint Francis. They had reached that time in their lives when health issues became a concern and the aging process was taking place. For Marion, they were still valued as meaningful individuals each with their own special gifts. It was here that our friendship began.

When I came to Saint Anne Villa in the Pastoral Care Department, Marion was the Administrator and once again she demonstrated her expertise. She supervised the various departments and staff there, interacting with the sisters once again demonstrating her concern and love for each resident. It was during Marion's time as Administrator that the Villa was granted a Five-Star rating each time the State came to visit!

Her daughter Shannon, her sons Christopher, and John, and her grandchildren knew that she loved each dearly. She always enjoyed the time together with them and always had a mother's concern for each of them.

These last few years have been difficult as her health problems became more severe, but she fought the good fight and now she has heard the words, "Come faithful servant to the home prepared for you from all eternity." Take your rest.

Sister Francis Cordis Bernardo