

Sister Mary Louise Moran  
Entered eternal life on August 25, 2018

Aunt Louise shared a story with me recently. Aunt Louise and Poppy had attended Mass at a church Poppy designed. As they were leaving, Aunt Louise commented that he had designed a beautiful building. Poppy corrected her. He said he didn't design a building, he designed a space that invited people to build a community of worship together. And the same for schools, designing an environment to build a learning community, and for hospitals, designing an environment for a healing community.



Aunt Louise reflected on the long line of builders, architects, and engineers in the family and how she used to think it was just bricks and mortar. In that moment she suddenly understood that it was not merely "bricks and mortar" — it was being a builder of communities.

With the church they stood in - those bricks and mortar were in essence "Building the City of God". And so she said she realized she was really following in the family tradition. Aunt Louise dedicated her life to dwelling in the city of God and to building community: building a spiritual community with her sisters, building a learning community in her education ministry, and building a healing community in her healthcare ministry. Of course throughout her life, she nurtured the community that is family.

Aunt Louise became the bond tying the family together - keeping all of us connected. Speaking of bonds, there was no tighter earthly bond than that between Aunt Louise and Aunt Martha.

Aunt Louise, we love you and we miss you, but we also rejoice that you have joined the Lord in heaven and are eternally reunited with your loved ones. We rejoice that you will forever dwell in our hearts and that our hearts will swell with love and fond memories of you every time we see a rainbow.

Robert Moran  
Nephew of Sister Mary Louise