

Sister Rosemarie Di Censo, SC
Entered eternal life on June 2, 2023



First, I would like to thank Sister Elizabeth Kremp and the Sisters at the Motherhouse for their kindness and support these past few weeks.

I am honored to be able to say a few words about Rosemarie. I have known Rosemarie for over 65 years. She was in the band ahead of me. I noticed right from the beginning that she took religious life very seriously. She seemed to do everything right.

When we left the novitiate, she spent one year in Jersey City and then many years in Connecticut where she taught second grade. She was an excellent teacher.

She came to St. Joseph's Hospital and joined the program there started by Sister Ann Stango. The program required a year at St. Joseph's spending time working in various departments to decide where you might fit best. She decided on the medical education office. Her job was to take care of the medical students. This position required scheduling classes for the students, making sure they attended their classes and conferences and to be present and on time. The doctors could relax from concern knowing Rosemarie would take good care of the students.

We were not in charge of their housing. They had to find their own. Rosemarie would drive around Paterson after work to find apartments to be sure students were getting safe and proper housing. The students loved her for all she did for them.

When she retired from St. Joseph's she came to Convent Station and immediately started looking for what she could do for everyone. That's a short tale of her professional career.

Who was Sister Rosemarie? She was a super-organized, kind, efficient and thoughtful person. She was always willing, if possible, to drive anyone where they had to go. She would run errands for you – if you need your watch fixed, ask Rosie. If you need something at CVS ask Rosie, etc.

She was especially kind to me. She would plan her doctor's appointments around mine. She would be sure that I didn't have an appointment before planning her own. A morning did not go by that she would not ask me if I needed anything.

She loved her family. She took the religious name of Sister Robert Diane because of her deep love of her brother and sister. She also had great love for Denise, her sister-in-law, and all her nieces and nephews. She loved her close friends, Pat Brown, Mary Culhane, and Jean Trainor. She loved all her band members. I hope she loved me a little because I loved her so much. Most of all she loved her God and served him well.

by Sister Elizabeth Brennan, SC