



Florence M. Vogel

May 8, 1934 - April 21, 2016

Florence M. Vogel

Beloved aunt, friend and teacher

“Our love should not be just words & talk it must be true love that shows itself in action.” 1 John 3:18

Florence M. Vogel entered eternal rest on April 21, 2016 surrounded by the loving circle of her family and close friends.

She was born and raised in Newark. Florence was an avid Yankee fan and never tired of telling happy stories of her childhood in Newark and family shore house in West Deal.

Her life as an educator continued thru her brief hospice stay as she reminded every family member nuggets of life and love to treasure. Her vocation as a Sister of Charity began in 1951. She never left the bond of faith and loyalty she had with her friends of over sixty years. She received her Master's degree from Catholic University. Her teaching career expanded over forty seven years. Her students will remember her firm expectations and ability to bring great literature to present time. She was the first woman to teach at CBA, Lincroft. She retired from Long Branch HS as English Dept. Supervisor.

She now joins her parents, Charles and Florence Vogel, loving sister and brother in law, Mary Jo & Jerry Tivenan, brother Rev. Charles Vogel, beloved niece Marybeth and grand nephew Kevin. She is survived by her loving nieces and nephews, Charles Tivenan, Christopher Tivenan, Thomas Tivenan, Florence (Fonie) O'Brien, Paul Tivenan, Mark LoBello, Mary Jo Mackintosh

and Patricia Pace and their families as well as circles of friends that will all miss her beyond words.

Famous for her no fuss- general goodbyes her family follows her example of faith and inner strength during this time as her gift of a selfless life awaits her. Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2016 at Bongarzone Funeral Home, 2400 Shafto Road Tinton Falls. A Funeral Mass will be held at the Church of St. Anselm, Tinton Falls at 10:30 a.m. on April, 26, 2016. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: The Sister's of Charity, Development Fund, P.O. Box 476, Convent Station , NJ 07961-0476.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home
2400 Shafto Road
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712
(732) 918-6200

Funeral Mass

APR **26**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Church of Saint Anselm
1028 Wayside Road
Tinton Falls, NJ

Tribute Wall



“ I graduated from St Vincent Academy in 1970, and Florence taught English. She demanded absolute full attention and fidgeting would prompt a look that would stop you in your tracks. As the year went on, we all realized what a gifted teacher she was and we all chose to sit absolutely still so we didn't miss anything! She could communicate her love of literature to us and we were infected with the desire to learn!

*Maureen Harkin
Saint Vincent Academy
Class of 1970*

Maureen Harkin - April 28, 2016 at 08:25 PM

AZ

“ Dear Joey, Patty and family, I am sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved Aunt Flo. May she rest in peace and may your hearts heal quickly.

*Much love,
Allison (Scerbo) Zampardi*

Allison Zampardi - April 26, 2016 at 03:25 PM

DE

“ Franklin Avenue is a bit less Sunny without you & heaven a bit brighter .

God bless, Aunt Flo you are greatly missed already.

Hugs to her family and friends

The DeSoucey's

DeSouceys - April 25, 2016 at 04:28 PM

ML

“ I graduated from St. Cecilia's High School in 1965 and have many fond memories of Sr. Mary Florence. She was a wonderful person with much energy and optimism. I was fortunate to have her as one of my teachers during those years. My sympathy to all her family.
Mary Ann Lancaster, Kearny, NJ

Mary Ann Lancaster - April 25, 2016 at 03:14 PM

GW

“ Gertrude Mahon Hughes and Anne Mahon Walsh purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Florence M. Vogel.



Gertrude Mahon Hughes and Anne Mahon Walsh - April 25, 2016 at 12:06 PM

GH

“ *Deepest Sympathy to The Vogel and Tivenan Families.*



We knew Florence and the Vogel Family since we were young girls.

Our parents were great friends. Our siblings were friendly with Florence and her siblings and we knew her grandparents, the Kennedy's. We were all parishioners together at Saint James Church in the Ironbound section of Newark and both of our families had summer homes in West Deal back when there were dirt roads and many more trees.

We have many happy memories of fun times and laughter in Newark, West Deal and on the beach in Avon. We are so grateful for these wonderful memories and the good times between our families. In memory of Florence, we say Thank You from the Mahon Family.

Gertrude Mahon Hughes and Anne Mahon Walsh

Gertrude Mahon Hughes - April 25, 2016 at 11:44 AM

MB

“ *Deepest sympathies to all of the extended Tivenan and Vogel families on the passing of this extraordinary woman. Aunt Flo was an exemplar of all that a strong Catholic woman should be: faithful, loving, devoted, hard-working, compassionate and filled with moral integrity. She was warm and welcoming to all, and served as a guiding force to her family and friends. Most of all, Aunt Flo loved unconditionally and lived her faith without compromise- her Catholic Faith and devotion to The Lord were evident in all ways.*

It has been a privilege to know Florence Vogel, and we pray for God's peace and comfort for all who mourn her passing.

Mike & Cathy Bolger - April 25, 2016 at 08:28 AM

SS

“ Blessings and sympathy to all who loved and honored Florence. Eternal peace and rest for Florence who so willingly lived a life of love, care and concern for others; thank you for your continual love for the Sisters of Charity.
Sister Elizabeth Cahill, S.C.



Sister Elizabeth Cahill, S.C. - April 25, 2016 at 08:12 AM

SN

“ Florence was one of the best friends I ever had. We entered the Srs. of Charity 2 years apart in the early 1950's. But I didn't get to know her well until 1971 when she came to recuperate from surgery to St. Thomas, VI -where I had been newly appointed as principal. During her stay, she visited the school, imbibed the island culture and scenery and we bonded closely. With her wonderful wit and humor, she had me laughing at times when I might well have been in tears. When I returned to the states in 1976 she was tremendously supportive as I re-adjusted to stateside living. Then through the 1980's and 1990's we didn't see each other as much but stayed connected through cards and phone calls. Then when I moved to South Jersey 8 years ago, we were able to get together much more often for lunch or dinner and talked on the phone regularly. Florence had a genuine interest in what I was doing in ministry, what was happening with my family and a phenomenal memory for it all. While she had serious health issues, she never once felt sorry for herself -just dealt with it in her matter-of-fact, no nonsense attitude. She was a woman of deep faith and constancy - one of her daily prayers was "God grant me the light of my mind, the light of my eyes and the light of my faith all the days of my life." This prayer was indeed granted. As she joins the Communion of Saints, it seems appropriate that feast of the Ascension this year falls on her birthday, May 8th. I will miss you with all my heart, Florence, but know that you are enfolded in God's love.

Sr. Peggy Nulty - April 24, 2016 at 09:33 AM

BH

“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Florence M. Vogel*



Bongarzone Funeral Home - April 22, 2016 at 12:32 PM

JG

I am just one among many who celebrate Florence's life. Just yesterday I awoke with her on my mind and made a mental note to call her. Then I caught up with the weekend newspapers and read her obituary. That brought a smile because I decided Florence had sent me a message. That was no surprise; she often sent me mental messages. I worked with Florence Vogel when she was Supervisor of English at Long Branch High School in the late 70's. I could not have asked for a better mentor as I prepared to return to teaching after a long family leave of absence. She impressed me immediately as an exceptional educator and an awesome woman. She deserved and received absolute respect from her students who responded to the respect and love she showed them and her devotion to her family speaks for itself. I am happy to have known Florence; she will always be in my mind and heart.

Johanna Gonzalez

Johanna Gonzalez - April 25, 2016 at 09:38 AM

JB

I graduated from SVA with Florence! She left an indelible impression on all of us with her ever-present smile, her enthusiasm, her friendship and caring for all she came in contact with. I know she is with the Saints in Heaven"

Joan Chieff Bonner

Joan Chieff Bonner - May 02, 2016 at 07:09 AM

ML

Sr. Mary Florence was one of the most influential and memorable teachers I encountered from grammar school to a professional degree. While her specialty was literature, she gave me the guidance and confidence to pursue another field of study and career path, and I have thought of her fondly and gratefully through the last 50 years. She was a mentor before that term became part of our lexicon, and I am blessed to have known her. My condolences to her family. Michelina Darcy LaForgia, St. Cecilia High School, Class of 1965.

Michelina Darcy LaForgia - May 03, 2016 at 01:39 AM

AP

I was saddened today by the news of the passing of my favorite teacher of all time, Sister Mary Florence Vogel. You have no idea how many times I have given credit to her when compliments were offered based on strong English writing skills. She was tough and made you learn. We appreciated her then and still do. Sister was my 7th grade English teacher at St. Cecilia in Kearny. She moved up to 8th grade during the course of the year & then followed us again into St. Cecilia's High School where I was in her class in Sophomore and Senior years. I graduated in 1964 and we were so sorry she could not be in attendance at our 50th reunion. We loved her smiling face and her hearty laugh. She is definitely in heaven and she will always be missed.

Ann Pettigrew

Ann Pettigrew - May 03, 2016 at 02:52 PM

PW

I was so sad to hear of Sr. Florence's passing. I was fortunate to have her as my English teacher for 3 years at St. Cecilia High School. Although I did not realize it at the time, she would become my model for teaching and ultimately have an impact on me as a school administrator. In addition to literature, "Flo" taught me to write well and speak with confidence. I have thought of her many times in the years since I graduated from "Saints". I always wanted to tell her about the influence she had on me and the rewarding career I've had for over 40 years in special education. I'm confident that she is looking down from above and smiling at all of her students and their accomplishments. My sincere sympathies to her family and friends.

Peggy Walsh, Class of 1967

Peggy Walsh - May 09, 2016 at 04:41 PM

MW

I am saddened to hear of florences death. Our last visit we recalled the summers spent together in west deal. She informed us that our grandmothers, in their early years were referred to as "the Kiernan girls". History repeats itself as we are referred to as "the wagner girls" My sincerest sympathy to all cousin florences neices, nephews and friends Maxine m wagner

maxine m wagner - August 01, 2017 at 06:44 PM