



Have charity,
guard humility,
hold fast to voluntary poverty..
- Saint Dominic's Last Will & Testament

In Memoriam

Dominican Sister of Amityville Eva (Vita) Ernandis, OP

S. Eva Ernandis, 85, a Sister of St. Dominic of Amityville for 64 years, died on January 6, 2018. Her main ministry was teaching – serving 16 years in various elementary schools in Long Island, NY, Brooklyn and Upstate NY. Later, she served in various ministries including a Religious Education coordinator which she loved. A creative soul, she also liked to sew, write poetry, garden, cook, bake and sketch.



All services will be in St. Albert Chapel at Queen of the Rosary Motherhouse, Amityville, NY. The wake will take place on Thursday, January 11, 2018 with a prayer service at 3 p.m. and visitation following and continuing until 7 p.m. Following Morning Prayer at 10:10 a.m. on Friday, January 12, 2018 the Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Burial in the Sisters' cemetery will follow immediately after Mass.

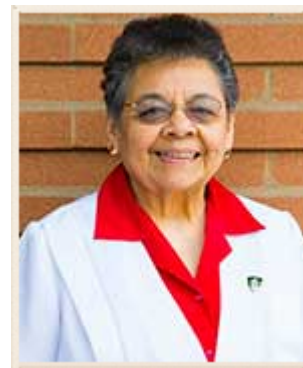
Dominican Sister of Hope Jean Merrell, OP

Sister Jean Merrell, OP (formerly Sister Mary Judith) of the Dominican Sisters of Hope died January 3, 2018 at the Woodbury Mews in Woodbury, New Jersey. She was 87 years of age. For her complete memorial, please [click here](#).



Dominican Sister of Peace Teresa Orozco, OP

Dominican Sister of Peace Teresa Orozco, OP, (76) died at the Great Bend, KS, Motherhouse in Great Bend, KS, on December 12, 2017. She entered Dominican life in 1964 at the convent of Great Bend, now the Dominican Sisters of Peace, and lived a consecrated life for 53 years. To read the complete memorial, please [click here](#).



**Dominican Sister of Peace
Lois (Rita Clare) Pineau, OP**

Dominican Sister of Peace Lois (Rita Clare) Pineau, OP, (85) died at the Sansbury Care Center in St. Catharine, KY, on November 29, 2017. She entered Dominican life in 1952 at the convent of St. Catharine, now the Dominican Sisters of Peace, and lived a consecrated life for 65 years. To read the complete memorial, please [click here](#).



**Dominican Sister of Peace
Margaret (Mary Ronald) Sunic, OP**

Dominican Sister of Peace Margaret (Mary Ronald) Sunic, OP, (93) died at Mount Carmel East Hospital in Columbus, OH, on December 5, 2017. She served God's people as a Dominican Sister for more than 70 years. For her complete memorial, [click here](#).



**Dominican Sister of San Rafael
Claire Herlihy, OP**

Sister Claire Herlihy, formerly Sister M. Bartholomew, a Dominican Sister of San Rafael for 64 years, died peacefully at Our Lady of Lourdes Convent in San Rafael on December 29, 2017. She spent thirty years in the ministry of education, as a teacher and principal in San Francisco, Benicia, Reno, Monterey, Livermore, San Leandro, and Vallejo. She held a strong belief in the value of parochial schools, saying, "It's the only place where children are free to talk about God with each other and to pray together."



Sister Claire also spent many years serving her congregation as the Director of Personnel and as a member of two leadership teams. In 1988 she began a new ministry in St. Vincent Ferrer Parish in Vallejo. In the tradition of Dominicans, she and Sister Lorraine Amodeo were a powerful twosome, overseeing the preschool daycare program, facilitating the St. Vincent de Paul program, managing facilities, and serving on the parish liturgy and hospitality committees.

Sister Claire's full obituary can be seen at <http://sanrafaelop.org/2018/01/03/remembering-sister-claire-herlihy-op/>