



OBITUARY
SR. ROSEMARIE KOLMER, OSF

BORN: February 19, 1948, in Rochester, NY
DIED: October 2, 2024, at St. Elizabeth Motherhouse, Allegany, NY
DAUGHTER OF: Ralph and Marion Voellinger Kolmer, Rochester, NY

Sr. Rosemarie entered the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany on September 8, 1966, was received into the Congregation on July 1, 1967, and professed her final vows on May 31, 1975. For 58 years, Sister lived her commitment to Franciscan values through her ministry and life in community and to the people with whom she served and ministered.

Rosemarie was educated in Rochester, NY, at St. Andrew Elementary School and graduated from Our Lady of Mercy High School. She attended St. Claire Hospital School of Nursing, New York, NY, where she graduated as a registered nurse. She attended St. Bonaventure University and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Professional Arts with a minor in Health Care

Sr. Rosemarie ministered in healthcare at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Camden, NJ for 17 years, first as a nurse and then in pastoral care. She served for the Diocese of Camden as Coordinator of Health Care Advocates for Sacred Heart Residence and worked per diem for Our Lady of Lourdes Wellness. In 2020, she switched to part-time work and officially retired in 2024, when she was warmly welcomed home to St. Elizabeth Motherhouse.

Sr. Rosemarie is predeceased by her parents, Ralph and Marion Voellinger Kolmer. She is survived by two brothers: Stephen Kolmer and Mark Kolmer; three sisters: Karen Walsh, Annemarie Wegman and Sr. Kathleen Marie Kolmer, a Sister of Mercy and several nieces and nephews.

At Sr. Rosemarie's request, there will not be a Wake Service. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, October 5, 2024, at 10:00 AM in the Chapel of St. Elizabeth Motherhouse, followed by burial in St. Bonaventure Cemetery, Allegany, NY. The funeral arrangements are under the direction of Letro-McIntosh-Spink Funeral Home, Inc., 646 East State Street, Olean, NY.

Memorials, if desired, can be made to: Student Sponsorship Program, Sacred Heart School 1739 Perry Avenue, Camden NY 08104.