

Sister M. Teresita Valenti, D.M.

Sister M. Teresita Valenti, age 86, a member of the Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy, Villa Rossello, Newfield, NJ, died Tuesday, May 11, 2010, at Cooper Medical Center, Camden, NJ, after a brief illness.

Born in Pittston, PA, Sister Teresita was the daughter of the late Salvatore and Frances Termone Valenti. Having entered the Congregation of the Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy, in Newfield, NJ on December 3, 1955, she professed her Vows on August 15, 1958.

Totally dedicated to her religious vocation, Sister Teresita's life was characterized by her spirit of persevering prayer, deep piety, and a great love for her religious vocation. An avid advocate and devotee of St. Padre Pio, she attended weekly devotions in the saint's honor. She fulfilled her desire to make St. Padre Pio known to others by distributing prayer cards and other religious items that pertained to the saint.

A teacher for many years, Sister Teresita taught in various schools in Milford and Springfield, MA, Berwick, Old Forge and Hazleton, PA, and Brigantine, Millville, and Newfield, NJ. Following her years of teaching, she lived at Villa Rossello, Newfield, NJ.

In addition to being an educator, Sister Teresita was known as a good cook and baker and was happy to use this talent to the fullest for the enjoyment of others. She also enjoyed knitting, crocheting, and doing various kinds of crafts.