

Death Notice

SISTER MARIA JULIANA

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Marga MÜNCH



Maria Regina Province, Coesfeld, Deutschland

Date and Place of Birth:	June 14, 1940	Düsseldorf
Date and Place of Profession:	November 23, 1958	Dietenheim
Date and Place of Death:	March 23, 2023	Mülhausen, Haus Salus
Date and Place of Burial:	March 29, 2023	Mülhausen, Convent Cemetery

Risen I am and now I am with you always, Alleluia!

Easter liturgy

Marga Münch grew up in a family of seven siblings. In January 1957 her mother died, who had cared for her children with much love and prudence during the difficult war and post-war period, while her father was a prisoner of war.

In the same year, Marga began her novitiate with the Immaculate Conception Sisters at the Brandenburg Convent in Dietenheim; at her investment she was given the name Sister Maria Juliana. After her training as a kindergarten teacher and after-school caregiver, Sister took charge of a group of physically and mentally challenged children. With great commitment, personal sympathy and understanding for the situation of the children, she worked in this field. In-service training enabled her to be employed in the special-education school as an educator with predominant teaching duties. In addition, she took on administrative tasks and was also active as a home manager. It was in her nature to carry out all the tasks assigned to her in the best possible way.

The great tension in her work was gradually accompanied more and more by a search for her true path in following Christ. After a sabbatical year in which she wanted to clarify her further journey, Sister Maria Juliana asked to be accepted into our Congregation in 1990. The Sisters of Notre Dame were known to her from her kindergarten days in Düsseldorf.

After a three-year period of probation in our congregation, Sister Maria Juliana was assigned to various communities (Kempen, St.Tönis, Bonn, Mülhausen) in child care, at the reception desk and in housekeeping. Here, too, she fulfilled her duties conscientiously, met everyone with kindness and had an open ear for the personal concerns of those she encountered, and prayed in the intentions of all who were in contact with her.

Some time ago Sister had heart surgery. Since then, she had health problems more often. For this reason, she moved to Haus Salus in 2015. In the first years, Sister Maria Juliana also took on various tasks here in her usual friendly and reliable manner, above all she worked as the receptionist. When she felt that her physical strength was failing, she continued to participate in community life, but preferred times of seclusion in her room.

To clarify her increasing weakness, she requested a thorough examination. Her doctor admitted her to a hospital on February 27, where she was diagnosed with a lung tumor. Her health deteriorated dramatically. When it became clear that there was no longer any possibility of therapy, Sister was discharged home for further palliative treatment.

On the night of March 23, Sister Maria Juliana was taken home by God. In faith we know that the above promise from the Easter liturgy has now become a reality for her.