

Death Notice

SISTER MARY MAURUS

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Consuelo Lorene LABADIE



Immaculate Conception Province, USA

Date and Place of Birth:	March 4, 1923	Toledo, Ohio
Date and Place of Profession:	August 10, 1943	Toledo, Ohio
Date and Place of Death:	April 24, 2021	Toledo, Ohio

God Alone Suffices St. Teresa of Avila

Lover of music and poetry, compassionate and effective teacher, avid storyteller, beloved friend and community member. This was Sister Mary Maurus Labadie, who died in her 99th year of life and 78th year of religious profession. Consuelo was one of five children of Mark Emil Labadie and Cecilia (Wagener) Labadie. She attended St. Joseph School in Maumee and graduated from Notre Dame Academy in Toledo. Entering the Sisters of Notre Dame in 1941, she received the name Sister Mary Maurus at her investment.

Having attended Mary Manse College, Sister began her 65-year career in teaching children – 43 years as a full-time teacher and 22 years as a part-time teacher or tutor. All her years were spent ministering in the Toledo Diocese. Her expertise in helping children with special needs led her to Mary Immaculate School in Toledo during her last 22 years in the classroom. Here she taught the middle school students in small groups.

She made learning fun by using her many talents. She loved listening to and playing music, writing poetry, doing calligraphy, reading, learning and sharing what she learned, and spending time in nature outdoors with the plants and flowers. She taught herself how to play musical instruments, especially the violin and accordion.

Her sense of humor made her a great storyteller with her students, the sisters, and her family. As matron to her family, she shared the family heritage with her nieces and nephews since she is the last of her generation to tell their story.

Sister embraced life with keen interest in the arts. She seemed to bask in the brilliance of the great composers and perhaps imagined playing her violin in concert. Her life, like a musical score, was ready to receive divine notes – the whole notes of life wholly lived, the half notes of surrender to infirmity, the quarter notes of steady, daily growth in holiness. One of her favorite violin pieces was “Jerusalem.”

When she needed skilled care, she became a resident of Rosary Care Center operated by the Sisters of St. Francis in Sylvania, Ohio. She became one with the Franciscan spirit and enjoyed living with the sisters and residents since 2011.

May she enjoy the beauty and glory of the new Jerusalem. Alleluia!