

CLAIBORNE, SR. LOIS, Daughters of Mary and Joseph
April 9, 1931 – December 12, 2023 Lois was one of 2 children born to Carl H. Claiborne and Renee A. Lewis Claiborne. Predeceased by her parents, and nephew Mark Quinn. Lois is survived by her sister, Carol Montejano, nieces, nephew and several great and great-great nieces and nephews. Lois entered the Daughters of Mary and Joseph in 1950 and after Profession of Vows in 1953 Lois, known as Sr. Miriam Carmela, taught at St. Sebastian School, West L.A., St. James La Crescenta and Our Lady of Peace, Sepulveda. She served in Community Leadership at St. Michael's and Morning Star, San Francisco. Lois, always known for her gentle nature and spirit of cooperation, moved from teaching into a variety of ministries ranging from Retreat Direction at Mary and Joseph Retreat Center, Rancho Palos Verdes, to her most cherished ministry as Nursing Assistant devoted to the care of newborns and their moms at St. John's Hospital, Santa Monica. Her love for children drew her back to teaching at St. Joan of Arc School, Los Angeles where, besides classroom teaching she was Assistant Principal, ITV Coordinator and Religion Coordinator. In her retirement years, Lois volunteered with Fr. John Hampsch, C.M.F. at Claretian Tape Ministry, where she excelled in spiritual counseling. Due to diminishing health, Lois was cared for at Marycrest Manor, Culver City, where she died on December 12th.

Mass of Resurrection will take place at 11:00 a.m. December 27th in Holy Redeemer Chapel, Holy Cross Cemetery, Culver City.

Memorials in Sr. Lois' name may be made to Daughters of Mary and Joseph Retirement Fund, 5300 Crest Rd., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275.