

Biography of Sr. Elizabeth Quinn

Sr. Elizabeth Quinn, SC, entered the Sisters of Charity in 1937, taking the name Sr. Marie Cornelius, and professed final vows in 1943. Born in New York in 1917 to immigrant parents from Ireland, she grew up in Harlem with one brother and two sisters. she attended St. Thomas Apostle elementary school and graduated from Cathedral High School in 1937. She held a bachelor's degree in history from the College of Mount Saint Vincent and a master's in home economics from New York University.

Sr. Elizabeth taught first grade at: St. Veronica's, Manhattan, 1940-1943; St. Gabriel's, Queens, 1943-1954; St. Mary, Wappingers Falls, 1954-1956 and secondary grades at Bishop McDonnell High School, 1957-1963. She taught home economics at Grace Institute, an adult training program for women for 33 years: 1956-1957; 1963-1977; 1978-1986 and 1993-2003.

She served the Sisters of Charity as coordinator at Incarnation Convent, Northern Manhattan and retired to St. Patrick Villa, Nanuet from 2003-2009 and at Convent of Mary the Queen, Yonkers until 2011. Sr. Elizabeth died on July 1, 2011, in the 74th year of her commitment, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Yonkers, at age 93. She is buried at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Yonkers.