



Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC

August 29, 1922 - February 25, 2014

Our dearest sister and friend to so many people, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, February 25, 2014. Sister Rosetta was born August 29, 1922 in San Bernardino di Crema, Italy. Her parents, Angelo and Francesca Cerioli Benelli had four children, Giovanni, Rosetta, Maria, and Angela (deceased). She is survived by her older brother Giovanni, and a younger sister Maria, as well as nine nephews and nieces, and eight grandnephews and grandnieces.

Sister Rosetta found the Lord as the center of her life and gave her life totally to Him as she began her journey to be a Faithful Missionary. She entered the Missionary novitiate in 1941 in Vimercate, (Milan) Italy and made her first Profession as a Canossian Daughter of Charity, Servant of the Poor in 1944. She shared God's love through serving in Europe for 19 years. She also served in Africa, both in Zaire (now Republic of Congo) Tanzania and Malawi for a total of 17 years before coming to the North American Province of Cristo Rey in 1978. Her ministries in Europe and Africa included faithful dedication to education as a teacher and catechist as well as assuming the responsibility of Elementary School Principal. Sister Rosetta, having studied French for her mission in Africa and English for her future mission, was called to serve the church in the United States. Enthusiastic to bring God's love via Catechesis and Pastoral ministry, Sister Rosetta served in California for 27 years and was fondly referred to in the various parishes of where she ministered in Sacramento, Jackson and San Francisco as the "Mother Teresa of California" due to her great love and concern for the poor, sick and homebound. In 2005,

Sister Rosetta retired and moved to the Provincial House of the North American Province in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Since her retirement, she had been blessed with good health and a very peaceful and happy retirement. She continued to express her love and concern for the sick, homebound, the poor and needy through the ministry of prayer which she took very seriously. During her retirement, she was very alert and in tune with what was happening in the world and kept the community of sisters well informed of the latest thoughts and movements of our Holy Father.

The sisters wish to thank the doctors, nurses, aides, and caregivers who took such good care of our Sister Rosetta with gentleness and compassion during her stay at Presbyterian Hospital and Presbyterian Kaseman Hospice Center. A public visitation will be held on Sunday, March 2, 2014, from 5:00-6:00 p.m. at FRENCH - Wyoming followed by a Rosary at 6:00 p.m. The Mass of Christian burial will be held Monday, March 3, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Annunciation Parish Church with Msgr. Bennett J. Voorhies, Pastor. A reception will follow at the St. Magdalene Hall of Annunciation Parish. Sister Rosetta will be taken to her final resting place at Mt. Calvary Cemetery at 1900 Edith Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87102.

Should you choose, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Canossian Daughters of Charity, 5625 Isleta Blvd. SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105.

FRENCH – Wyoming
7121 Wyoming Blvd. NE
(505) 823-9400

Cemetery Details

Mt. Calvary Cemetery

1900 Edith Blvd. NE
Albuquerque, NM

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 2. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (MT)

FRENCH Funerals - Cremations (Wyoming)
7121 Wyoming Blvd NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109
(505) 823-9400
<https://www.FrenchFunerals.com>

Rosary

MAR 2. 6:00 PM (MT)

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7121 Wyoming Blvd NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109
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Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 3. 8:30 AM (MT)

Our Lady of Annunciation Catholic Church
2621 Vermont NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110

Tribute Wall



“ *French Funerals created a Tribute Video in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



FRENCH Funerals & Cremations - February 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RI

“ *Rita lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Rita - March 05, 2014 at 12:05 PM

DC

“ *Dearest Sister Rosetta*

I will always remember you as a Treasured Friend. Thank you for everything that you have taught me and the beautiful things that you have done for Dennis, Isabella and myself. I will truly miss talking with you. I am forever thankful for your friendship.

*Love always
Diana*



Diana Cresci - March 04, 2014 at 10:48 PM

SF

“ *Sister Elisa Grignoli FdCC lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Sister Elisa Grignoli FdCC - March 02, 2014 at 11:11 PM

SF

*Dear Sister Rosetta,
Thank you for your good example. For your faithfulness and perseverance in your religious life. Now that you are closer to God pray for us/me that I may follow in your footsteps.
You were like the man that Jesus found under the fig tree (Nathanael) and Jesus told him "you are a man without guile...
I am sure when you met Jesus he told you too.. Your joyful and serene presence were an inspiration to me.
Thank you sister Rosetta. I love and pray for you and you pray for me.
Sister Elisa*

Sister Elisa Grignoli FdCC - March 02, 2014 at 11:25 PM



“ *Hna Perez lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Hna Perez - March 02, 2014 at 04:53 PM



Dearest Sr. Rosetta, you will be greatly missed! I loved your welcoming spirit. Love you...

Hna Perez - March 02, 2014 at 04:56 PM

SN

“ *Sister Rosetta we will miss you very much, you were always there sharing the mass and meals and movies with us, may God reward you gentle goodness. Love, Sister Natalia, Sister Jo and Sr. Felicity*



sister natalia - March 02, 2014 at 03:06 PM

BR

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betty r - March 02, 2014 at 01:50 PM

BR

“ *Betty R lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



betty r - March 02, 2014 at 01:29 PM

SC

“ *Sr. Lupita Chaparro lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Sr. Lupita Chaparro - March 02, 2014 at 11:59 AM

SB

“ *Sr. Teresa Bonaventura lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Sr. Teresa Bonaventura - March 02, 2014 at 03:33 AM

 Diana Moshe

“ *Diana Moshe lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



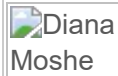
Diana Moshe - March 02, 2014 at 12:37 AM

 Yanira Gurrola

“ *Yanira Gurrola lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Yanira Gurrola - March 01, 2014 at 10:40 PM



Diana Moshe

“ Dearest Sister Rosetta, you always welcome me, when I met you first time in Cristo Rey, when I went for few months to the Community of San Francisco, you guide me so much, you showed me how to care for the home bound, you prayed for me, and gave me witness of faith and charity. i remember people in San Francisco telling me "She is our mother Rosetta of San Francisco" you loved so much and you where and are loved. Please keep praying for me that I may also witness Christ love in my life, as you did . I love you and remember you so many times. Diana Arriola

Diana Moshe - March 01, 2014 at 10:20 PM

SN

“ Sr. Teresa Celine Norris lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC



Sr. Teresa Celine Norris - March 01, 2014 at 09:43 PM

SN

Sr. Rosetta, you were very diligent and careful to prepare the Lectio Divina for the Community. We'll miss you very much.

Sr. Teresa Celine Norris - March 01, 2014 at 09:48 PM

SN

Yes Sr. Teresa Sr.Rosetta was very attentive to prepare the community prayer and made every one enjoy to pray together. Thank you Rosetta

Sr. Teresa Celine Norris - March 01, 2014 at 09:51 PM

KC

“ *Sr Rosetta you were such a joy and always brought a smile to my face I will miss you and you will always be in my heart*

Kathleen coyner - March 01, 2014 at 08:50 PM

KJ

“ *Kathleen And Jennifer lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Kathleen and Jennifer - March 01, 2014 at 08:36 PM

SA

“ *Dear Sr. Rosetta, Thank you for the witness of your religious life. You taught me how to care for one another and for your faithfulness to prayer. I will always remember you and cherish the beautiful time spent together in Holy Name Community. May you enjoy your eternal reward in Heaven.Amen*

Sr. Jenny Aldeghe - March 01, 2014 at 06:06 PM

SN

“ *Your sweet smile and encouraging words whenever we met at the hallway of Cristo Rey Convent will always be remembered, my dear Roseting! Everytime we talked over the phone you knew it's me whenever I say "Roseting". Your last gesture to me when I said goodbye, in December, was a kiss with your soft voice saying "I am praying for you, always". Thank you my dear Sister. Please continue to pray for us, for me, in particular. Thank you for your love and presence in our Province. I love you and you will be missed. May you now rest in peace.*

Sr. Nocy - March 01, 2014 at 05:20 PM

SN

“ *Sr. Necy lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Sr. Necy - March 01, 2014 at 05:03 PM

SA

“ *SR. JENNY ALDEGHI lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



SR. JENNY ALDEGHI - March 01, 2014 at 04:51 PM

SJ

“ *Sr. Josefina lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Sr. Josefina - March 01, 2014 at 01:31 PM

SK

“ *Sister Kay lit a candle in memory of Sister Rosetta Benelli, FdCC*



Sister Kay - March 01, 2014 at 12:40 PM

FM

“ *On behalf of the French Family of Companies, we express our deepest condolences.*

Faith Miner - February 28, 2014 at 02:53 PM