



## Sister Lucille Feehan CHM

February 5, 1937 - August 4, 2020

Sister Lucille Feehan (Mary Robert), CHM, 83, died Tuesday, August 4, 2020, at Bishop Drumm Care Center in Johnston, IA. Visitation will be Tuesday, August 11, at St. Patrick's Church, Melrose from 2-8p.m., with family present from 4-8p.m, and a rosary held at 7 p.m. Masks are recommended. On August 12, there will be a family-only funeral at 10:30 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church in Melrose with Father Timothy Armbruster C.P.P.S. officiating. The funeral service will be live streamed on St. Patrick's Facebook page and will also later be uploaded to the Tharp Funeral Home's You Tube Channel for viewing. Burial will follow services at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Melrose. A private rosary and mass will take place at the Humility of Mary Center Magnificat Chapel, Davenport.

Mary Lucille Feehan was born February 5, 1937, in Melrose, IA, to Robert and Mildred Scieszinski Feehan. She entered the Congregation of the Humility of Mary (CHM) in 1955 and professed vows in 1958.

Sister received a certificate from the American Institute of Business in 1971, and attended formal cooking classes in Terre Haute, IN.

Sister Lucille served as a cook at Ottumwa Heights College, a domestic worker at Our Lady of Lourdes convent, Bettendorf and at St. Vincent Home, Davenport, where she also cared for children. She was a secretary for St.

Pius X School, Urbandale and St. Albert School, Council Bluffs. She returned to domestic service at St. Patrick Parish, Imogene, IA, and St. Anthony convent, Des Moines and then served as a dietary technician at Mercy Hospital, Des Moines. Sister retired in 1999 to care for her mother.

In her retirement, she served in a ministry of prayer, witness and service in Melrose.

Sister is remembered fondly for her love of sewing, her generosity, and her Irish humor; admittedly, her laughter got her into trouble from time to time. Reflecting on the ups and downs of religious life, Sister Lucille declared that “it takes both the thorn and the blossom to make a beautiful rose.”

She is survived by her brother, Vince Feehan (Carol) of Melrose, Iowa, many nieces and nephews and her CHM sisters and associates. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Donald, Robert, Jr., Bernard and Richard and sisters Barbara Ruepke, and Geraldine Feehan.

Memorials may be made to the Congregation of the Humility of Mary.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Calvary Cemetery

Melrose, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 11. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Patrick's Catholic Church  
200 Trinity Ave,  
Melrose, IA

## Rosary

AUG 11. 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Patrick's Catholic Church  
200 Trinity Ave,  
Melrose, IA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sister Lucille Feehan CHM*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Sister Lucille Feehan CHM*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *I graduated high school with Lucy. She always had a good sense of humor and laughed a lot. Rest In Peace Lucy  
Teresa Coleman Saverice*

**Terry Saverice** - August 10, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ *I wish to extend my prayers and love at this time of loss of a very special person. Lucille and I were religious classmates and I have many precious special memories of Lucille from our time together in Iowa. Her laughter indeed was contagious and a joy to remember .I am in Montana but I will be with you in spirit at funeral services.  
Johnelle Howanach CHM*

**Johnelle Howanach** - August 10, 2020 at 04:02 PM

MS

“ I am so sorry to hear of Sister Lucille's passing. She was a dear friend several years ago when she would come to Joel's Auto Repair in Des Moines to get her car worked on. Joel loved seeing her and now they are together since Joel passed away in Feb. Joel graduated with her nephew, Joe Ruepke who passed away also. She was a dear, dear lady who will be greatly missed. Martha Swigart

Martha Swigart - August 09, 2020 at 10:50 PM

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“ When Karen, Joann and I were young we were dropped off every morning in summer time to stay with Sister while my mom and Aunt Mildred went to work at an egg candling place in Russell. First place we went was across the street to Mass. Then we went to Winnies to get groceries. The most fun of that was we each got to get 1 cookie, because the different kinds were behind door and you could take what you wanted. Then we would get butter, which came with a red packet and a light yellow one. They had to be mixed together so Sister would let us take turns mixing it which we thought was great. When Sister was getting ready to go to Convent, she had to have black clothes to go so Aunt Mildred was so busy with 8 children she ask my Mother to help Sister get ready, I remember Sister and Mother dyeing clothes black to take as we were all poor and couldn't afford new ones, SISTER was so happy. Sister will always be in my heart. She left us with so many memories. RIP SISTER Love you! 💕

Linda Coady - August 09, 2020 at 02:02 PM

RV

Prayers and sympathy to Sister's family....what a wonderful lady....Life on earth WELL DONE dear Sister~~now enjoy your new life in Heaven. R.I.P. Jerry & RoseA Vestal

Rozella Vestal - August 11, 2020 at 05:44 PM