

Sister María Luisa Sierra Rodríguez, CDP
1939 - 2018



Sister María Luisa Sierra Rodríguez, formerly known as *Sor Ana María Sierra* (age 78), entered eternal life on March 13, 2018 in Hospital del Sagrado Corazón located in Querétaro, Querétaro, MÉXICO. Her long-time friend and fellow CDP, Sister Susana Cárdenas, was at her side. Sister María Luisa was born on August 25, 1939 in Salvatierra, Guanajuato, México.

Sister María Luisa was an avid reader and when she entered the convent she read all the books that piqued her interest. She once said “...the books I read helped me learn about the lives of Saints, the history of the Church, Theology...” She also enjoyed reading a variety of stories and novels. Her first visit to Our Lady of the Lake Convent awakened the need in her to learn the English language. She set the goal to learn, understand, speak and write in English and she accomplished it. She became an English teacher and even taught our current Superior General, Sister Pearl Ceasar, Spanish.

Sister María Luisa was a teacher at heart. She first taught catechism then middle school and high school. Traveling to villages on the mountainside of Querétaro on a donkey, on foot, or waiting for the daily bus did not deter her from her catechetical ministry. Later on, she served in Formation and led the Associates ministry in Allende, Coahuila and Querétaro. As her final ministry, she coordinated retreats and the community at Casa Moye, the regional motherhouse.

She is survived by her siblings Eloisa and Rosa Maria Sierra and all the Sisters of Divine Providence. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, and their families. She was preceded in death by her parents Esteban Sierra and Felipa Rodríguez, and by siblings J. Esteban, Santiago and María del Refugio Sierra.

Her years of service took her to the following places:

- 1963 – 1965 San Sebastian, Colonia Tepetate in Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO – Catechetical work, Junior Sister
- 1965 – 1966 Santo Niño, Colonia Tepetate in Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO – Catechetical work, Junior Sister
- 1966 – 1969 Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Ahuacatlán de Gpe, Querétaro, MÉXICO – Pastoral work, Junior Sister
- 1969 – 1972 Nuestra Señora del Sagrado Corazón, Colonia Alemán, México, DF MÉXICO - Pastoral work
- 1972 – 1978 Instituto Queretano, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO – Teacher, Grades 1-3
- 1978 – 1979 Moye Center, Castroville, Texas – Student and Pastoral work
- 1979 – 1985 Instituto San Javier, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO – High School Teacher
- 1985 – 1989 San Pedro Huamelula parish, Huamelula, Tehuantepec, Oaxaca MÉXICO– Pastor work; Coordinator
- 1989 – 1991 Instituto San Javier, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO – High School Teacher
- 1991 – 2000 San José Obrero Parish, Allende Coahuila MÉXICO – Pastoral work – Coordinator
- 1998 – 2001 Regional Councilor
- 1999 – 2000 Santa Ana Comunidad, Allende Coahuila MÉXICO – Directress of Aspirants
- 2000 – 2002 Instituto San Javier, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO – High School Teacher
- 2002 – 2003 Querétaro School, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO – Teacher
- 2003 -2012 Extensión Instituto Querétaro, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO – Teacher
- 2008 – 2009 Extensión Instituto Querétaro, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO – completed Bachelor’s Degree
- 2007 – 2013 Regional Councilor
- 2011 – 2012 English Teacher
- 2013 – 2014 New Membership Team, Temporary Professed, Private English Teacher, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO
- 2014 – 2015 Temporary Professed, Private English Teacher, Coordinator of Casa Moye, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO
- 2015 – 2016 Coordinator of Retreats and Casa Moye; Primary English Teacher, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO
- 2016 – 2018 Coordinator of Casa Moye, Retreats, and Mexico Associates, Querétaro, Querétaro MÉXICO

Burial took place the day after her passing, which is customary in Mexico.