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## **SISTER ELIZABETH MARY KNIGHT, ASCJ**

Sr. Elizabeth Mary Knight (Elizabeth Mary Knight) died peacefully on June 9, 2026 at Sacred Heart Manor, Hamden, CT. She was 91 years old and professed as an Apostle of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for 69 years. Sr. Elizabeth Mary Knight, daughter of the late James and Elizabeth (McIntyre) Knight, was born on May 5, 1935 in New Haven, CT. Sr. Elizabeth Mary entered the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on August 28, 1954 in Hamden, CT. She professed First Vows on August 24, 1957 and Perpetual Vows on August 23, 1961 in Hamden, CT.

Sr. Elizabeth Mary (also known as Sr. Maria James and affectionately remembered as “Sr. Betty”) is survived by her sister, Patricia (Vincent) Hackett and her nieces and nephews: Samantha (Matthew) Fitzgerald, James (Realy) Hackett, John (Linda) Hackett, Michael Hackett and Nancy Steedle. She is also lovingly remembered by her religious family, the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and by many friends, former students and co-workers.



Sr. Elizabeth Mary earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education from Fontbonne College, St. Louis, MO and a Master of Arts degree in Religious Education from Fordham University, Bronx, NY. She began her ministry in Catholic education as a teacher at Our Lady of Good Counsel School in St. Louis, MO in 1957. After having taught at both the elementary and secondary levels in MO, CA and CT, Sr. Elizabeth Mary served in school administration for 27 years in PA, CA and FL. After assisting at Clelian Center in Hamden, CT for 7 years, Sr. Elizabeth Mary retired to Sacred Heart Manor in 2018, where she faithfully fulfilled her mission as an Apostle Adorer. Though small in stature, Sr. Elizabeth Mary will be remembered for her large and compassionate heart, her genuine care for others, and her prayerful concern for their well-being. Her warm, cheerful presence brought joy to all who knew her.

The wake for Sr. Elizabeth Mary will take place on June 14, 2026 at Sacred Heart Manor Chapel, 261 Benham St., Hamden, CT from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on June 15 at Sacred Heart Manor Chapel at 10:00 a.m., followed by burial at All Saints Cemetery, North Haven, CT. Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Sr. Elizabeth Mary Knight to the retirement fund of the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, 295 Benham Street, Hamden, CT 06514. The IOVANNE FUNERAL HOME, INC. is in care of her arrangements.