

Sister Kathleen Groves, SSND - 60 Year Jubilee!

In a conversation with Sister Kathleen Boland, Sister Kathleen Groves shared that as she reflects on her 60 years of ministry, she can say she is happy and grateful that she met the SSNDs when she entered St. Boniface Business High School in Philadelphia. From there her journey continued to Holy Angels Academy in Fort Lee, New Jersey, to complete high school.

Sister Kathleen loved teaching and taught almost every grade but her favorite was Grade 5. She loved playing with the children and organized sports for them. She was principal in Washington, D.C., Greenville, North Carolina and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Since she has retired, her love of sports continues as she looks forward to bowling night and other sports and "fun days" organized by SSND Associate Angie Kaufman for the sisters at the Baltimore motherhouse.

Sister Kathleen said the greatest grace of her ministry was receiving the sacraments.



Kathleen Veronica Groves was born in Philadelphia, Penn., one of five sisters and one brother to Philadelphia natives, Benjamin and Anna Maria Gearson. Kathleen entered the School Sisters of Notre Dame at St. Boniface in Philadelphia in 1957. She professed first vows in 1959 in Baltimore and ministered as a primary and secondary teacher and administrator for over forty years in Catholic schools in Baltimore City and surrounding areas, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia and in New Jersey. She then ministered in community service, private home healthcare and as receptionist. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Education at Notre Dame of Maryland University in 1970 and a Master of Arts in Administration at Trinity College in 1987. Now retired, Sister Kathleen ministers in prayer and presence at Maria Healthcare in Baltimore.

