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## Sister Mary Lorraine Soukup, SSND

Sister Mary Lorraine devoted her early ministry years to teaching in the Midwest. Her first assignment took her to St. Peter Grade School in Jefferson City, from 1960-1964. She taught the following four years at St. Gabriel the Archangel in St. Louis. In 1968, she moved to *Nebraska for a one-year assignment in teaching and administration* at Sacred Heart in Hebron. From 1969-1973, Sister Lorraine split her time in teaching and administration at St. Joseph in Cairo, Illinois. *She served numerous schools throughout the next decade, including:* Compton Heights Catholic in St. Louis; St. Mary in Alton, Illinois; Immaculate Conception in Dardenne; and St. Rita in San Diego. From 1982-1985, Sister Lorraine served the congregation on staff at Villa Gesu in St. Louis. She returned to classrooms near St. Louis. In 1990, she relocated to Florida and accepted an assignment at Epiphany School in Venice in 1991. In 1992, she served as director of religious education at St. Raphael in Englewood, Florida, followed by 11 years' service in adult literacy at the School on Wheels through Catholic Charities in Immokalee, Florida. In early 2008, Sister *Lorraine accepted a full-time position as hospitality coordinator* for Sancta Maria in Ripa in St. Louis, a post she held through 2010.



She has continued in part-time ministries and lives at Sancta Maria in Ripa. She holds a bachelor's degree in speech from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis. In 1974, she earned a master's degree in elementary administration from Southeast Missouri State University.

## A memory I want to share...

My first contact with SSNDs was at St. Raphael's Parish in St. Louis. I had already been familiar with four other congregations of sisters. Thanks to the sisters' love and inspiration, I was attracted to the congregation. May God be praised!