



Christine M. Angione

June 26, 1943-January 14, 2020

Christine M. Angione, 76, of Schenectady, New York, a longtime educator, counselor, and mentor died January 14, 2020 of heart disease complicated by Alzheimer's. Chris was a passionate lifetime supporter of students' well-being, women's rights, gender equality, the rights of immigrants and refugees, and equality for the LGBTQ community.

Chris was born in 1943 in Rochester, New York, to Genevieve Rita (nee McCarthy) Angione and Charles Francis Angione. She was the second of four children and is survived by her brother Howard and sisters Pauline and Jude. In 1968 Chris received her B.A. in History from Nazareth College of Rochester. She went on to earn an M.A. in Guidance and Counseling and a Certificate of Advanced Study from Fairfield University, Fairfield, Connecticut in 1975, and 1976.

As Sr. Christine Marie, SSJ, a Sister of St. Joseph of Rochester, she began her career as an educator teaching elementary school children at Our Lady of Lourdes School and Corpus Christi School, both in Rochester, New York. In 1976 she became a School Counselor at St. Agnes High School, Rochester, where she later became the school's Director of Guidance.

After a transition to secular life, Chris served as an Intern Mentor and Supervisor for Counseling Programs at Russell Sage College in Troy, NY; the College of St. Rose in Albany, NY; the State University of New York (SUNY) Albany, and the State University of New York (SUNY) Plattsburg.

In 1982 Chris joined Schenectady City Schools serving as School Counselor and later as Guidance Chairperson at Mont Pleasant High School. In 1992 she moved to Schenectady High School as School Counselor and subsequently as Guidance Chairperson. In 1997 she was named City-Wide Chairperson for Guidance and Social Work for Schenectady City Schools. Upon her retirement in 2005 the Guidance office at Schenectady High School was named in her honor. She was affiliated with the New York Counseling Association and the Capitol District Counseling Association.

Ms. Angione's list of community and professional activities would run to multiple pages and detail a lifetime dedicated to the well-being, growth, and success of those she loved. This included family, friends, those with whom she served, and those whom she served. As a daughter, sister, counselor, colleague, aunt, and friend she was equally and consistently patient, compassionate, witty, challenging, accepting, and inspiring.

A Memorial Service will be held in the Spring. A Christine Angione Memorial Fund has been established to benefit students at Schenectady High School. Donations can be sent to or made online at:

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