

March 29, 2019

**Sister Rosarine Gonzales, SSND**  
**Teacher, human resources manager, administrator**

**Chatawa, Mississippi** – Sister Rosarine Gonzales, SSND, died Monday, March 11, 2019, at St. Mary of the Pines, Chatawa, Mississippi. She was 81, and a former teacher, human resources manager and administrator.

The funeral Mass was celebrated March 15 at St. Mary of the Pines, Chatawa, Mississippi. Burial was at the Chatawa Cemetery.

Sister Rosarine was born in San Antonio. She entered the School Sisters of Notre Dame candidature in 1958 and professed first vows in 1960.

After profession, Sister Rosarine taught elementary school students in Lawrence, Nebraska. She then went on to teach in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Lake Charles, Louisiana. After earning a master's degree in special education and reading, she became a reading specialist for the San Antonio Public School District. After three years, she was appointed principal at Holy Rosary School in San Antonio. While at Holy Rosary School, Sister Rosarine helped create Holy Rosary Junior High School and formed a collaboration with St. Mary's University, so upper grade students could use the university's science facilities. Sister Rosarine next served as principal at St. Francis Xavier School in Albuquerque, New Mexico. After three years, she was missioned to St. Patrick Parish in San Antonio as an administrator, focusing on adult education. Two years later, she served as a fundraiser for the congregation's home and foreign education missions. Sister Rosarine's last formal classroom mission was with the Progressive Education Program, Inc. (PEPI), helping adults learn to read and prepare for receiving GEDs.



In 2003, Sister Rosarine came to St. Mary of the Pines, Chatawa, Mississippi, and served in the finance office. She also served as human resources manager and then as assistant to the administrator. She retired in 2013.

Memorial contributions may be made to the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Resource Development, P.O. Box 227275, Dallas, TX 75222-7275 or online at <https://www.ssndcentralpacific.org/give>.