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So many accomplished VVA Graduates!

**Danielle Barber,
VVA Class of 1982,
recalls some of her days
at VVA
in her latest blog post.**



[Read Danielle's Blog Post](#)

Rest in Peace Villa Girl

Elaine Dotter Watley '59

A reflection from Elaine's friend Carol Ann Hoch Wilbert '59.

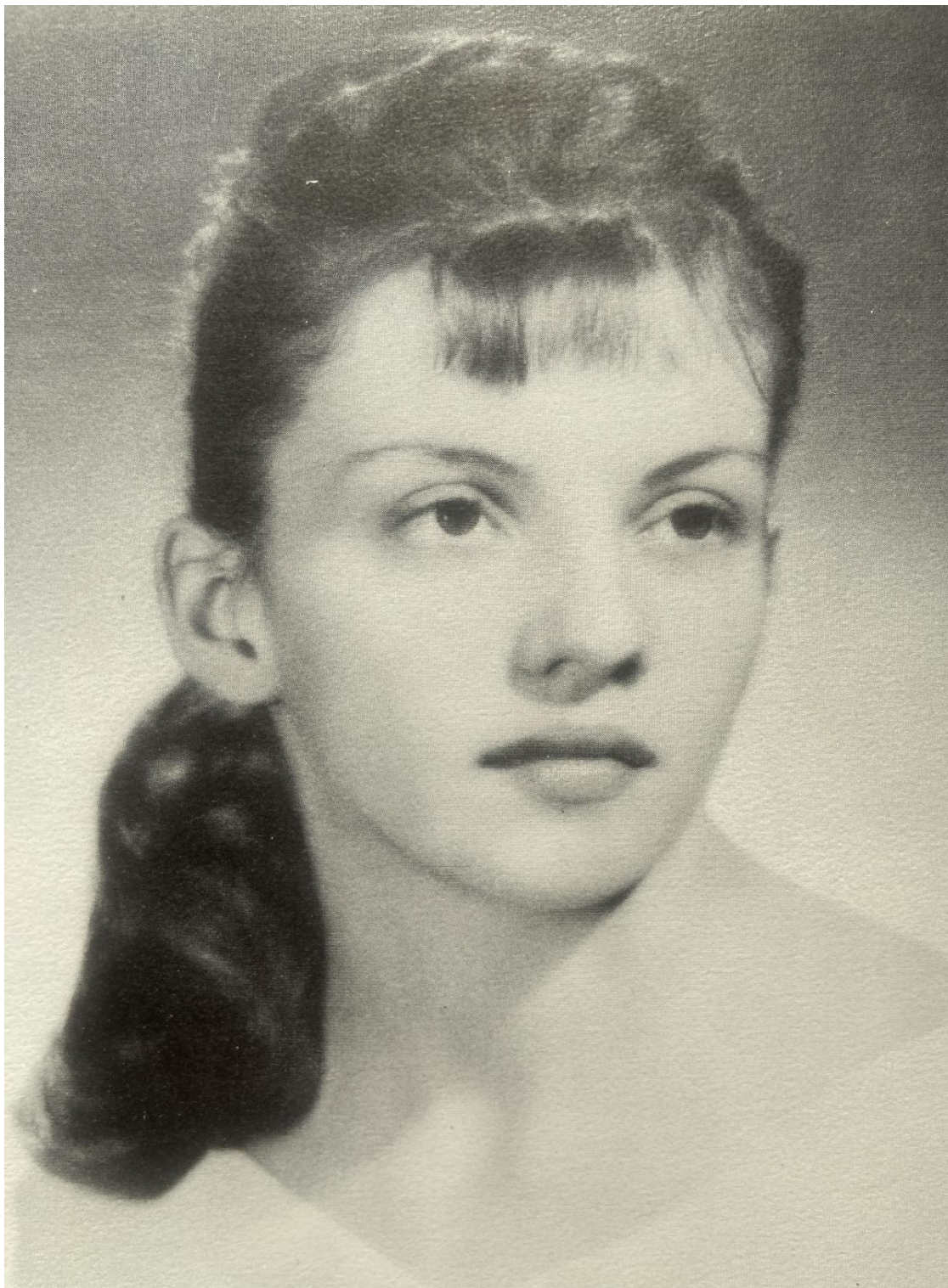
Elaine Dotter Watley was my dearest friend for 80 years. We met in 1st grade at Saint Anthony's School and then we both went on to Villa Victoria Academy, Class of 1959.

Our days at the Villa were some of the happiest in our lives.

The three of us, Elaine Imbroglia (also VVA Class of 1959), Elaine Dotter and I kept our friendship going all these years with phone calls, trips in the summer and just getting together and remembering all the wonderful days of our youth.

Elaine will always be remembered for her fun-loving personality, wonderful sense of humor and generous heart.

You left us too soon my dear friend!



[Read Obituary Here](#)

**Congratulations to Villa grad
Sr. Mary Louise Shulas,
VVA Class of 1966!**



**VVA Grad Joan Birchenall '51 Selected as
Honoree
for Interfaith Caregivers**

On September 29, 2026 Villa grad Joan Birchenall
will be honored at the Interfaith Caregivers Shining Lights Gala
at Mercer Oaks in West Windsor, New Jersey.

Joan is an author (*Mosby's Textbook for the Home Care Aide*),
Interfaith Caregivers Mercer County Volunteer
and Home Health Care Advocate.

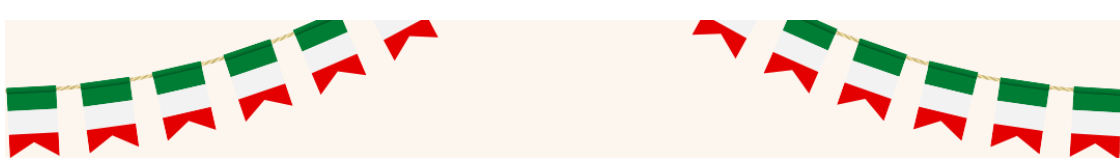
Congratulations Joan! Well deserved!



Congratulations to all of the Filippini sisters on being honored by the Italian Apostolate from the Archdiocese of Newark

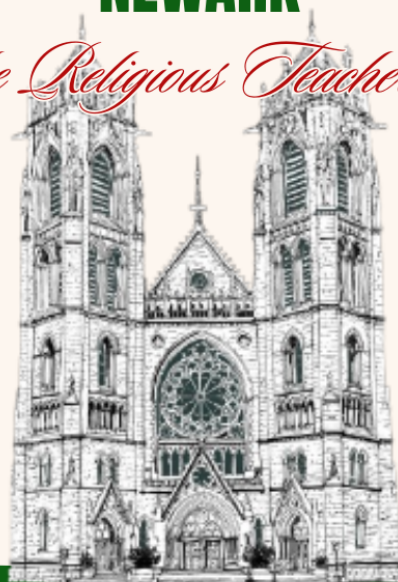
Join the sisters at the Mass and Dinner/Dance
or sponsor a sister (use link below).

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Filippini Sisters (Suore Maestre Filippini) and their inspiring mission to complete an orphanage in Ethiopia, providing a safe home, education, and care for vulnerable children.



3RD ANNUAL MASS OF THE ITALIAN APOSTOLATE OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK

Honoring the Religious Teachers Filippini



**SATURDAY OCTOBER 3RD, 2026
MASS AT 5PM AND DINNER DANCE TO
FOLLOW NEXT DOOR AT THE ARCHDIOCESAN
CENTER
171 CLIFTON AVENUE, NEWARK, NJ 07104**



**SCAN QR CODE FOR
DINNER TICKETS!**



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Two VVA Job Openings

**Please share these links with those who
might be interested in working at Villa.**

Thank you!

Director of the Musical Job Description

History Teacher Job Description



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