Sr. Eugenia Sortino, Apostle of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, died peacefully on October 14, 2018, at Sacred Heart Manor in Hamden, CT. She was 93 years old and professed 68 years in religious life. Sr. Eugenia, daughter of the late Sebastian and Elizabeth (Comella) Sortino was born in New York City, NY on May 28, 1925. She attended St. Joseph Elementary School and Cathedral High School in New York and entered the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 29, 1947 at Sacred Heart Provincialate on Greene St. New Haven, CT. She professed First Vows on August 22, 1950 and Perpetual Vows on August 25, 1954, in Hamden, CT.

Sr. Eugenia earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics from Fordham University in New York, and a Master of Arts degree in Education from St. Louis University in St. Louis, MO. In her 68 years as a vowed Apostle of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, she served as religious superior, teacher, administrator, and pastoral minister at St. Michael School in New Haven, CT as well as at St. Ann and Blessed Sacrament parishes in Hamden, CT. She also taught at elementary schools in New York, Pennsylvania and Illinois, and as a Math teacher at Cor Jesu Academy in St. Louis.

Sr. Eugenia was predeceased by her parents, two brothers and one sister who died in infancy, and has no surviving family members. She is lovingly remembered by her friends, former students and co-workers, and by her family of Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The wake for Sr. Eugenia will be held at Sacred Heart Manor Chapel on Tuesday, October 16, 2018 from 4 to 6 pm and on Wednesday, October 17 from 10 am to 2 pm. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on October 17 at 2 pm at Sacred Heart Manor Chapel, followed by burial at All Saints Cemetery, North Haven, CT. Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Sr. Eugenia Sortino to Sacred Heart Manor, 261 Benham Street, Hamden, CT 06514. The IOVANNE FUNERAL HOME, INC. is in charge of the arrangements.