



## Evelyn Joy Herr

September 14, 1926 - October 15, 2025

Evelyn Joy Herr of Cadillac went to be with her Lord on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at Sunnyside Assisted Living. She was 99. Joy was born on September 14, 1926, in Battle Creek to George M. & Lois B. (Anderson) Nicholson.

She graduated from high school at Battle Creek and on January 6, 1946, she married Ralph H. Herr in Galesburg, Michigan. They lived in Battle Creek, Kalamazoo, and Cheboygan before moving to Cadillac in 1977. Joy was a member of First Baptist Church in Cadillac for many years. She enjoyed playing bridge, golfing, and bowling, but most of all she enjoyed attending her grandchildren's events.

Survivors include her children: Terry Herr of South Haven, Michigan, Nancy (Joe) Allison of Kingston, Oklahoma and Tracy (Chris) Mickelson of Cadillac; 6 grandchildren: Rich (Lisa) Herr, Lindy (Troy) Sargeant, Lori Babcock (Luke Starosta), Darin (Megan) Mickelson, Thad (Erin) Mickelson and Cale Mickelson & Fiancé Riley St. John; and 9 great grandchildren.

Joy was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph on April 25, 1990, and a daughter, Sandi Babcock in October of 1992.

Memorial services will be held 1:00 PM Sunday, November 2, 2025, at First Baptist Church in Cadillac with Pastor Chad Zaucha officiating. Friends may meet the family from 12 Noon until services at 1:00 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to Recovery Church c/o First Baptist Church. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).



# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV 2. 1:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church  
125 Stimson Street  
Cadillac, MI 49601

# Tribute Wall

KC

“ I can see her now. It was christmass on the Herr side. Ralph and Joy were hosting. Joy would greet us with a big smile and say "come in,come in." It seems like she was always laughing though out the day. Such a good and happy memory. Enjoy heaven!

Kelly A Colwell - October 28, 2025 at 02:06 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers to all the family members. I always enjoyed visiting with Joy when I would come to Cadillac to visit my parents who were her next door neighbors.

Catherine Livermore (Van Natter) - October 25, 2025 at 08:44 AM

PH

“ Joy had a great smile and and easy wonderful laugh. She is my cousin. I remember going to their house for a great family reunion many years ago. Ralph had a go cart there for the kids to ride. What fun. Uncle George probably helped him build it.  
Joy used to come to the farm to play with her cousins. (before my time) Hide and seek was popular. Her and another cousin hid in the grain chute but got stuck in there and had to be lifted out.

What a good life she lived.

Paul Halloran

paul halloran - October 19, 2025 at 10:33 PM

JM

*I only had one opportunity to meet her at Joe and Nancy's wedding, but it was wonderful to see the Michigan family in Texas. What a life she lived, and a role model for her children and grandchildren. Sincere condolences to the family, and prayers during this time. Jackie Mercer, Nancy's sister in law*

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**jackie Mercer** - October 20, 2025 at 06:35 PM

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“ Joy was my parents next door neighbor for many years. She was a wonderful, funny lady. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

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**Deborah Delosa (VanNatter)** - October 18, 2025 at 01:57 PM

CM

“ I remember Evelyn when she went to Curves in Cadillac. Prayers to all family and friends she's left behind

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**Carla Moffit** - October 18, 2025 at 09:17 AM