



Joanne Lynn Carlson

December 16, 1939 - September 10, 2024

Joanne Lynn Carlson of Cadillac passed away Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at Sunnyside Senior Living in Cadillac. She was 84. Joanne was born on December 16, 1939 in Flint, Michigan to Gerald G. & Violet L. (Sandstrom) Oman.

In the fall of 1956 Joanne moved to Cadillac and graduated from Cadillac High School in 1958. She then went to Augustana College and later transferred to Western Michigan University. On November 11, 1961 at Zion Lutheran Church in Cadillac, she married John C. Carlson and he preceded her in death on November 3, 2021.

Joanne worked with her husband John in his various Businesses, as a legal secretary for Jim Carr and also worked for Junior Achievement in Cadillac. She loved all things music. She enjoyed playing piano, playing the organ, singing, and directing choirs. Joanne was a member of the Cadillac Philharmonic Chorus, the Benzie Community Chorus and was an active member of the Zion Lutheran Church where she served as church musician for many years. She also enjoyed golfing and biking.

Survivors include her children: Jeri (Paul) LaRocque of Cadillac, Michael (Tanda) Carlson of Woodland Hills, California and Melissa Carlson of McBain; 4 grandchildren: Nicole (Eric) Clark, Patrick LaRocque, John (Freya) Ferrara,

and Brenna LaRocque; 2 great grandchildren: Violet Ferrara and Arden Clark; her sister, Deanne (Robert) Anderson of Menasha, Wisconsin; a niece, Tammy (Jon) Meidam and a nephew, Rob (Jessica) Anderson. In addition to her parents and her husband, Joanne was preceded in death by an infant son, Paul Brian Carlson.

Memorial services will be held 11:00 AM Thursday, September 19, 2024 at Zion Lutheran Church in Cadillac with Pastor Scott Torkko officiating. Burial will be at Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac. Visitation will be Wednesday from 4-6 PM at Peterson Funeral & Cremation Service in Cadillac. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Zion Lutheran Church, Friendship Family Home of McBain or to Hospice of Michigan. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

Mitchell Street
Cadillac, MI 49601

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **18**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Peterson Funeral Home
205 E. Cass St.
Cadillac, MI 49601
(231) 775-3411
info@petersonfh.com
<http://www.petersonfh.com>

Memorial Service

SEP **19**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Zion Lutheran Church
350 Pearl St
Cadillac, MI 49601
(231) 775-9821

Tribute Wall

HH

“ *such a sweet and lovely woman - I looked forward each fall to meeting with her to help her with her Medicare drug plan for the following year - I KNOW she will be missed - but we WILL see her again - harvey hanna*

Harvey Hanna - October 23, 2024 at 12:28 AM

GT

“ *Jo was a super wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. And very much loved by her church and community members. The memorial service was special and showed her Christ like character through her family testimonies. Cousin Gary*

Gary T - September 20, 2024 at 08:38 AM

CP

“ *Sorry for loss. May the Lord be with you. Carol Pedrin*

carol pedrin - September 15, 2024 at 02:44 PM

DV

“ *To the Carlson family I'm so sorry for your loss. I was neighbors with the Carlson's. Their daughter Jeri Sue Carlson and I graduated 1 year apart from each other.*

Donna Valko - September 14, 2024 at 03:48 PM

BB

“ *Brenda B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Lynn Carlson.*

Brenda B. - September 14, 2024 at 11:57 AM

TO

“ Jo was a beautiful lady and will be sorely missed as is John

TIM ONEILL - September 13, 2024 at 02:10 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Joanne Lynn Carlson.



September 13, 2024 at 01:25 PM

KI

“ Kay and Associates, Inc. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Lynn Carlson.

Kay and Associates, Inc. - September 13, 2024 at 01:25 PM

GH

“ Jo and John were regular double dates in high school! I've missed them for too long! and I were separated for too many years! Still I will miss them!

Gary Hodgson - September 13, 2024 at 12:54 PM

BN

“ Joanne was not only a fellow alto in the Benzie Community Chorus, but a wonderful friend and travel companion. I have so many wonderful memories of our times together.

Becky Nespors-Sattler - September 13, 2024 at 10:18 AM

SM

“ I sang in the Benzie Community Chorus with Joanne for many years. She was a very lovely, always pleasant and fun person. I feel very blessed to have known her. So very sorry for your loss. Stella Mix

Stella Mix - September 12, 2024 at 03:47 PM

SH

“ May you and John rest in eternal paradise together. My thoughts and prayers go out to Jeri and the rest of the Carlson family. You will be missed.



Sky Hall - September 12, 2024 at 11:22 AM

CL

“ Clarks purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joanne Lynn Carlson.



Clarks - September 11, 2024 at 10:10 PM

CL

“ Clarks planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Lynn Carlson.

Clarks - September 11, 2024 at 10:10 PM

EM

“ Jo Carlson was an exemplary member of Zion and a friend to so many. Her smile radiated from within. Just recently she told me she loved to be called "Jo" as a sign of a long time friendship. She was an amazing gal and will be truly missed. We were all blessed to be called "friend". Peace and blessing to her family.

ELSIE L MOORE - September 11, 2024 at 06:28 PM

JB

Jo has been one of my best friends for 68 years. I already miss her

joanne benson - September 13, 2024 at 09:01 AM

ST

Joanne will be dearly missed at Wildwood Condos. She was a wonderful, caring neighbor. She prayed daily for those in the community who were struggling with health, loss, or other concerns. She was a woman of faith and a beautiful soul. Her neighbors and friends at Wildwood Condos sent a Memorial Donation to Hospice of MI in her memory.

Sharon Tate/ Wildwood Condo Association Secretary

Sharon G Tate - September 18, 2024 at 11:55 PM

JL

Thank you so much for the donation to Hospice of MI. Mom was treated so well with them, and I could praise them over and over again. She would so much appreciate your donation. Please express our family's thanks to the condo association. Sending love, Joanne's family.

Jeri LaRocque - October 07, 2024 at 07:44 PM