



Joyce L. Tripphahn

December 25, 1948 - September 19, 2025

Joyce L. “Cioci” Tripphahn, (nee Zellers), age 76, of Belden, passed away in the emergency room of University Hospitals St. John Medical Center in Westlake on the morning of Friday September 19, 2025. Joyce was born in Lorain on December 25, 1948 and was regarded by her family as being the greatest Christmas gift imaginable.

She attended Nativity BVM Parish School in Lorain and went on to graduate from Lorain High School. Joyce retired from her role as an assistant activities coordinator at the Wesleyan Village in Elyria several years ago. Previously, she had been employed as a production assistant in the finishing department at the General Industries Corporation in Elyria.

A former parishioner of Nativity BVM Catholic Church in Lorain, Joyce was currently worshipping at the Lifespring Community Church in Valley City as well as with the congregation at the Impact of Avon Ministry.

She was blessed with a countless number of attributes including a high aptitude and skill level in the field of art. Joyce was an accomplished painter and exhibited a special fondness for projects using watercolors and oils; she possessed equal prowess in the realm of line drawing and illustration.

She is survived by her husband of forty-one years Tim and by her beloved pet

Pit Bull Terrier, Louie. Joyce also leaves brothers Joseph Zellers (Fran) of Vermilion, Gerald Zellers of Elyria, and Michael Zellers of Amherst along with nieces Stephanie and Abbey Zellers with whom she remained a strong and relevant presence throughout their lives.

She was preceded in death by her father Leonard Zellers in 1996 and by her mother Diana M. Zellers (nee Zajkowski) in 2003.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 3:00 until 7:00 p.m. in the Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel – 3224 Broadway, Lorain. Funeral services will be Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in the funeral chapel. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery.

Donations in Joyce's memory, if desired, may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

555 N Ridge Rd
Lorain, OH 44053
<https://clecem.org/Cemeteries/CalvaryLorain.aspx>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **24.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel
3224 Broadway
Lorain, OH 44055
(440) 246-2118
gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com
<http://www.gluvnashimohromada.com>

Funeral Services

SEP **25.** 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MR

“ I am so sad to hear of her passing. Joyce was such an amazing artist and fun person. I always enjoyed spending time with her at watercolor classes.
My sincere sympathy to her husband and family. .
She will be missed. RIP Joyce

Marcia Rothgery - September 24, 2025 at 10:18 PM

CM

“ So sorry for your loss! Joyce was always so cheerful to be with.

Carlyne McQuate - September 24, 2025 at 04:48 PM

BM

“ Tim and family my heart breaks for you Joyce was such a sweetheart so talented God truly blessed her.Im so sorry I'm in Tennessee now until Sunday so I won't be able to come for the funeral.I love you very much I'm praying for you to have the peace and strength that you need at this time. I have a lot of special memories I can hold in my heart. The times we got together at your house.May God bless and protect you always. I'm going to donate to the Friendship APL in Memory of Joyce.
All my love and deepest sympathy
Cousin Dodie McPhee 🍀🍀🍀🙏🙏

Bernice McPhee - September 24, 2025 at 07:17 AM

DC

“ Tim, my deepest sympathy on the passing of Joyce. She had such joy and love when working and sharing with residents. Debbie Cihla

Debra Cihla - September 23, 2025 at 08:12 AM

FR

“ From Gail Reed purchased the *Pretty Please* for the family of Joyce L. Tripphahn.



From Gail Reed - September 23, 2025 at 07:09 AM

FR

“ From Gail Reed planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joyce L. "Cioci" Tripphahn.

From Gail Reed - September 23, 2025 at 07:09 AM

ST

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories of Cioci*



Stephanie - September 22, 2025 at 01:24 PM

CG

“ Cindy Zellers, Bobbie Gow purchased the *Sweet Sincerity* for the family of Joyce L. Tripphahn.



Cindy Zellers, Bobbie Gow - September 22, 2025 at 01:12 PM

SZ

“ *Stephanie and Abbey Zellers purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Joyce L. Tripphahn.*



Stephanie and Abbey Zellers - September 22, 2025 at 01:06 PM