



Dr. Evelyn J. (Harp) Ferris

January 18, 2026

UTICA – Dr. Evelyn J. (Harp) Ferris went home to the Lord on Sunday, January 18, 2026.

Born in Utica, Evelyn was the daughter of the late George and Victoria (Endenos) Harp. She received her post-secondary education at SUNY Albany, where she earned her PhD in psychology which laid the foundation for her life's work.

She was wed to Raymond J. Ferris, with whom she shared 58 years of marriage prior to his passing on January 10, 2008.

Evelyn held a successful career in private practice as a counselor for many years; she credited caring for her clients as one of her greatest joys.

Evelyn is survived by her daughters and son-in-law, Cindy and Bob Curri, and Dyan Sardelli (the late Anthony C. Sardelli); grandchildren, Deanna and Jacob Sirotkin, Christina and Michael Maney; Frank and Maria Sardelli, and Ray Sardelli; and great-grandchildren, Nathan, and Jordan Sirotkin, and twins Mary and Anna. She was preceded by her brother, Richard Harp. She is additionally survived her sister-in-law, Patricia "Patty" Harp; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

Evelyn's family extends their gratitude to Dr. Toby Taylor for his guidance and friendship.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Evelyn's Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday, January 24, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at Mary, Mother of Our Savior Parish, Lourdes Campus, 2222 Genesee St. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of the service. In lieu of floral offerings, memorial contributions in Evelyn's honor may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital online at www.stjude.org/donate; envelopes will also be available at the service. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 24. 10:00 AM (ET)

Mary, Mother of Our Savior Parish, Lourdes Campus
2222 Genesee St.
Utica, NY 13502
<https://www.motherofoursavior.org/CatholicChurch.php>

Tribute Wall

AB

“ Cindy and Dyan so sorry for your loss. May your memories help you through this difficult time. Alice Barone

Alice Barone - January 24 at 11:28 AM

RH

“ Cindy, Dyan and family
So very sorry for your loss. May the memories you share always bring you comfort. May your mom rest in peace.
Rosanne Hebert



Rosanne Hebert - January 24 at 08:47 AM

KR

“ My condolences to her family she was a great person, she had a very kind heart. I saw her for years and she would go above and beyond for her patients. I'm sure she will be missed by many 🙏

Kimberly Rueb - January 23 at 09:43 AM

JB

“ JoAnn Bonacci sent a virtual gift in memory of Dr. Evelyn J. (Harp) Ferris



JoAnn Bonacci - January 20 at 08:44 PM

DM

“ My condolences to Evies family and friends.
Evie was a wonderful person and dear friend
of mine for many years. Our thoughts and
prayers are with you all.
Darlene and Chuck



Darlene F Mahady - January 20 at 08:19 PM

SA

*Sending love and light for a beautiful soul. Save a seat for
Connie....God Bless your family*

Susan Alguire - January 21 at 10:52 AM

JD

*Wishing you all peace and comfort during this difficult time. Cindy and
Dyan, remembering how proud your Grandmother (Vicky) was of all of
you but especially of your Mom Evelyn. From when I was a little girl, for
years I remember Vicky sharing stories while spending nearly every
weekend visting with my Sitto Mary Abounader and Aunt Selma
Karam, and often with my Mom Anna Cafarelli.
May God be with you all.
Joyce Cafarelli Duignan*

Joyce C Duignan - January 23 at 01:02 PM