



Lillian G. Williamson Payne Johnson

January 8, 1919 - June 26, 2015

Lillian Williamson Payne Johnson, 96, Topeka, passed away June 26, 2015, at the Presbyterian Manor of Topeka. Lillian was born January 8, 1919, in Topeka, the daughter of Thomas and Edith Cookingham Williamson.

Lil attended Topeka High School, Mac Murray College, and Washburn University. She was married to Dennis Payne Jr., until his passing in 1991. She was then married to Lee Johnson until his passing in 2003.

Lil enjoyed golf, tennis, dancing, painting and reading. She was active in the Bella Vista Community Church and the Central Presbyterian Church. She served as president of several women's organizations and served on the Advisory Board of the Presbyterian manor.

Lillian is survived by son, Dennis Payne III (Darlene); daughter, Shelley Ford (Ron) of Atlanta; grandsons, Todd, Jonathan, Tim, Brad, Brett and Jason; 18 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Alice Williamson of Rio Rancho NM. She was preceded in death by her brother, Dorwin Williamson and sister, Ella Marie Fisher.

A memorial service will be 10 a.m. July 9th at First Lutheran Church, 1234 SW Fairlawn, Topeka KS 66604. Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Midland Care Hospice, 200 SW Frazier Cir, Topeka KS 66606, or Central United Presbyterian Church, 920 SW Huntoon St, Topeka KS 66604.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Lutheran Church
1234 SW Fairlawn Road
Topeka, KS 66604

Tribute Wall



“ *Lillian G. Williamson Payne Johnson*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM

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“ June 28, 2015

To The Family of Lillian Payne Johnson,

Words can say very little at a time like this, but knowing people care and praying for all of you, maybe helps. We hope so. Please accept our deepest sympathy. Lillian was such a wonderful lady. We had such good times together playing tennis, eating out for lunch, visiting on the phone or writing one another. In fact it was wonderful that we saw Dennis and Darlene a few weeks ago and they let us know how Lillian was doing. I went over a short time after that and visited with Lillian and Dennis. Even thou she was not as strong, she was still the same sharp person and delightful to visit with. Again, what a wonderful lady and I cherish the memories of Lillian.

My husband, Don enjoyed meeting her years ago, when we had stopped our RV along the highway near Bentonville and this lady stopped her car in front of us and walked back to our RV. I had visited with her on the phone a little time before and she recognized the Shawnee County tag on our car behind the RV, so decided to stop to see if it was us. What a wonderful surprise and we all had such a nice visit.

We know you have many wonderful memories of her and Denny too.

Love,

Don and Jackie Campbell Petersen

Don & Jackie Campbell Petersen - June 28, 2015 at 05:25 PM

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“ *Denny and Darlene and family-*

I saw in the paper today about your Mom's passing. Lots of memories came flooding back. I am so sorry. May you find comfort with God.

Sincerely, Sally Langsdorf

Sally Langsdorf - June 28, 2015 at 11:34 AM

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“ *Lillian and Big Denny lived a few doors from my family on Collins. What I remember most about Lil was the smile on her face most of the time. Also kindness.*

Doug Renbarger - June 28, 2015 at 06:54 AM