



Lillian Bernice Pluenneke Jacobs

June 11, 1926 - March 14, 2020

Lillian Bernice Pluenneke Jacobs was born to the late Harry and Hilda Pluenneke in Mason, Texas on June 11, 1926. She passed into the arms of the Lord on March 14, 2020. Lillian considered herself a Mason girl her entire life and instilled the love of the town and its people into all of her family. Even today they return to the property to remember the Pluenneke story and thank their ancestors for the grit they passed on to the following generations.

After graduation from Mason High School in 1943, Lillian moved to San Antonio to help with the World War II effort. She worked at the Arsenal, Federal Reserve Bank and American Hospital and Life. It was at that time Herbert Donop, her high school friend, introduced her to his new friend, Mervin (Jake) Jacobs, Jr. from Pennsylvania although Jake always claimed he was a Texan. Jake and Lill hit it off, dated and married at Travis Park Methodist Church in 1948. Herbert and Elvie Donop continued to be their friends and the families shared good times together at the Donop Ranch. We are thankful to the Donop family for these memories!

Lillian and Jake lived in San Antonio where in 1950 they designed and built

the home in which Lillian took her last breath at the age of 93. They were blessed with three children. She is survived by daughter Cindy Jacobs Shipley of Dallas and husband Stan. Son, Ken Jacobs of San Antonio and wife Lisa. Daughter, Rhonda Jacobs Holland of San Antonio and husband Mike. Lillian exhibited a great zest for life and a generous heart. She was a proud mother and along with her husband instilled in their nine grandchildren and eight great grandchildren a legacy of God and Country! They were founding members of St. Matthew's United Methodist Church in San Antonio. It was at this church the family were active members and made lifelong friends! She was the first to volunteer at her children's schools and on the Council for the North East Independent School District for many years. Lillian loved being an active participant in her children's lives!

Lillian planned exciting summer driving trips for the family that usually highlighted visiting relatives and National Parks. Once the children graduated from high school Lillian and Jake traveled to Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, South Korea, Australia and New Zealand. However, their favorite places were San Antonio and Mason!

Lillian was preceded in death by her sister, Louise Pluenneke Barwick and husband, Lew. Jake went to Heaven in 2003. Lillian continued to visit her childhood home of Mason and until her last years, she always went to her favorite spots. The First United Methodist Church, Hilda United Methodist Church, Santos and Willow Creek Restaurants, Sandstone Cellars, the Llano River and the Lea Lou Dance Hall.

Her family has continued the traditions and have had terrific times on each special visit! We love you Mamaw! You helped make us strong in our faith and even stronger Texans! God Loves You, We Love You and Remember the Alamo! Special thanks to Isabel Juarez, Lucero Espinoza and Florine (Flo) Garcia, her caregivers in San Antonio! Additional help was provided by Deanna Santos and Lesvia Guerra of Altus Hospice. For the extra fun times we thank Gigi, Scott and Manny. Additional appreciation to the Jack Goff family, Barbara Pluenneke, and Barbara and Mike Arteaga who continue to care for Lillian's childhood home! Memorial donations may be made to St. Matthew's United Methodist Church; 2738 MacArthur View; San Antonio, TX; 78217 or the Mason ISD Education Foundation, PO Box 1425, Mason, Texas 76856; www.masonisd.net/educationalfoundation

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park North

20900 IH 10 West
San Antonio, TX 78257

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

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“ *For Ms Lilian's family*



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“ *Ms Lilian ❤️ I got to meet and know you a few short months. And I enjoyed every 24 or 48 hours we spent together. I loved watching cooking shows with you and caring for you. So happy I met your wonderful family. ❤️ You loved each and everyone of them so much. Peace*

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“ Dear Family,

The photo of Lillian accompanying her Life Tribute is the way I knew her: Happy!

Although I'm saddened by her passing, I'm glad she's in her Heavenly home! Lillian was a great "pew mate" at the early services at St. Matthew's. Before service started, she greeted others with a smile, expressed concern when she asked friends about the people she hadn't seen at church in awhile and asked others around her about their week. She related weekly and special family events, especially about her growing family and how she loved to be able to cook at her house often for all of them. She told about her drives to Mason--even in her "later years". After all, if she could drive to the grocery store, she could drive to her family home in Mason! (This was when her children didn't want her driving anywhere alone!) I'll always remember Lillian as a generous, caring, happy, independent-as-she-could-be woman!

With blessings and sympathy,

Kerry White

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