



Lilly Corbin

March 21, 1938 - August 5, 2012

LILLY JANE CORBIN, age 74, went to be with the Lord on August 5, 2012 at Manassas Rehabilitation and Nursing Home. She was born on March 21, 1938 in Rappahannock County, Virginia to the late Orea Amon and Grace Pearl (Whorton) Corbin.

Lilly worked in the Toy Department of Rohr's 5 & 10 store in downtown Manassas for 42 years. The Rohr family and the Toy Department of Rohr's held a special place in Lilly's heart. Though she had no children of her own, Lilly treated every child who passed through that old glass and wooden door as if they belonged to her. When a child wanted a toy but didn't have enough money to pay for it, Lilly would tell them the amount they had was just enough and then she would pay the difference herself when they left the store. Children who were frequent visitors of Rohr's were remembered on their birthdays by Lilly with a gift of toys or candy. Lilly was a big supporter of the Manassas JC's to help underprivileged children shop at Rohr's for gifts for their families at Christmas. This event brought lots of joy to Lilly each year. Lilly felt she was put at Rohr's by the Lord to have contact with all those children to help make a difference in their lives, but they also made a significant difference in her life.

Lilly hosted model car contest at Rohr's but was best known by the community for her Easter baskets, which Lilly made each year until the store closed in

1997. People would come from as far as Pennsylvania to get a handmade basket from Lilly. Many were second and third generations coming to get baskets as their parents had when they were growing up. Lilly was a treasure to all who met her. She loved talking to everyone about the history of Manassas and the area businesses. Whether you were young or old, Lilly greeted you with a "Hello, George!" Lilly would laugh when young children would say "My name's not George." As Lilly greeted so many people when they entered that door at the Toy Department of Rohr's Store, imagine her surprise as she entered the gates of heaven and Jesus greeted her saying, "Hello George, welcome home".

Lilly is survived by two adopted sons: Jerry Hill and Carroll Weimer, Jr., of Manassas; six brothers: Garfield and wife Jacqueline of Culpeper, Orea and wife Peggy of Stanley, Wade and wife Joyce, Edward and wife Judy, Rolly and wife Barbara and David and wife Jacqueline of Manassas and two sisters: Bess Corbin of Manassas and Dolly and husband Steve Thorpe of Marshall. She was predeceased by her sister: Ressie Virginia Cain. There are 16 nieces and nephews, 14 great nieces and nephews and one great great nephew.

The family will receive friends on Friday, August 10, 2012 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at 8:00 PM there will be a sharing of memories of Lilly with Pastor Eugene Zorbas at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, Virginia; where funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 11, 2012 at 10:00 AM with Pastor Tom Moore officiating. Interment will be private.

Expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of flowers or donations to: American Cancer Society, National Capital Region, 124 Park Street, S.E., Vienna, Virginia 22180 in loving memory of Lilly Jane Corbin

Tribute Wall

CB

“ So sorry for your loss. I recognized Lilly as soon as I saw her picture. I remember seeing her in Rohr's so often. She was always friendly and they were blessed to have her as an employee.

Carol Beemer - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

SD

“ We loved Jenny so much. She was always Family to us. We will never forget her.

Sandra dean - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

SB

“ I own two of Lilly's floral paintings in my home and love them. She always made me feel good when I walked in the store.

Sandy Barczak - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

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“ Lilly Corbin

Lynda (Horn)Jackson - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

SM

“ My mom & Lilly were great friends they would talk for hours. But of course my memorial of Lilly was at the 5 &10 . Her calling me George / make sure I got the right toy . Lilly always made me smile ,feel good and safe. I had the pleasure of getting to see Lilly again in the nursing home . Of course she was the one tell me how much she enjoy my mom friendship /a great person my mom was. So as always she was making everyone else feel good with a smile on her face. She made a difference to all of us in Manassas.

Sharron McDaniel - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

DR

“ I remember Lilly from her years working at Rohr's. If I couldn't find something I was looking for, she could! I loved her Easter baskets and when I had my first child I went to Rohr's & Lilly to make her first basket. My condolences to her family & friends. Donna (& Carl)Robey

Donna (Cooper) Robey - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

CC

“ So sad to see Lily's passing! I remember her from when I worked at the bank in Old Town Manassas as well as at Rohr's. The distinct memory will be, when we said hello Lily and her reply was hello George!
God love her and her family, she will be missed!

Carisa Christian - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

DF

“ my first job was at Rohr's and Lilly was such an inspiration to me. she could certainly show you in such a gentle way exactly what to do.

Dorothy Furrow - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM



“ What wonderful memories I have of Lily and her years at Rohr's. Manassas will miss her. My condolences to her family.
Pam Gwinn

August 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Jenny was an awesome person. She held a special place in my heart. While visiting at my Aunt and Uncles house during holidays she would be there. She was always very sweet and fun to be around. She could always make you laugh. She also shared with me some of her drawings in which I will always cherish and the memories that I had with her. I love you Jenny and I will see you in Heaven!*

Love, Susan Rector

August 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM