



Hannah Lou West Lilly Bowman

November 11, 1934 - July 19, 2024

Hannah Lou West Lilly Bowman, 89, of Saint Albans, passed away on July 19, 2024, at the Hubbard Hospice House, Charleston, West Virginia.

She was born in 1934 in Charleston, West Virginia, as the fourth of six children to Howard Stuart and Cecil Sue Creasey West. Hannah graduated from East Bank High School and was a member of their Alumni Association for over 65 years. She retired from Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, was a previous employee of McJunkin Corporation, and was noted for her secretarial skills and executive abilities.

Hannah was preceded in death by her husbands, Calvin Lilly and Thomas Bowman; her sister Patricia Noel, brothers Charles, David, and Jerry West; and her daughter Linda Lee Lilly. She is survived by her sister Barbara West, children Melanie Minichelli (Thomas), Diana Lilly Kitts (Michael), and David Lee Lilly (Michelle Kerr); grandchildren Benjamin (Julie), Kyle, Matt, Adam (Jes), and Cameron (Olivia) Minichelli, Katie Kitts Hafermann and Hunter Kitts, Christopher and Nathan Lilly; great-grandchildren Lacie, Malina, Dominick, Emma, Eames and Maxwell Minichelli, Keira and Rowan Hafermann.

She was a member of Riverlawn Presbyterian Church where she sang in the choir and made lifelong friends. Hannah had a great mind for words, enjoyed

crossword puzzles, Words with Friends, cryptoquips, and played in multiple St. Albans bridge clubs. She had a curious mind, was an avid reader, and encouraged her children and grandchildren to be the same.

Hannah loved her family dearly and she enjoyed family beach trips to Emerald Isle, NC with all her kids and grandchildren. She also enjoyed many winters in St. Simons Island, GA, and the friends she made there from across the country.

She was a wonderful cook and hosted many holiday gatherings and meals with her extended family members. Hannah loved WVU sports and purportedly taught her younger brother Jerry how to shoot basketball.

Visitation will be at Riverlawn Presbyterian Church, 2008 Pennsylvania Ave., St. Albans, on Saturday, July 27th from 9 to 11 a.m. with funeral services held at 11:00 a.m. with the Rev. Chris Kilbert officiating and internment following at Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sallie Pat Tackett Scholarship Fund, benefiting the higher education opportunities of students through the East Bank High School Alumni Association. Donations can be submitted to SPTSF, P.O. Box 67, East Bank, WV 25067.

You may visit Hannah's tribute page at BartlettNichols.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Avenue, St. Albans is honored to serve the Lilly-Bowman family.

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park

815 Cunningham Lane
St. Albans, WV 25177

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 27. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Riverlawn Presbyterian Church
2008 Pennsylvania Ave
St Albans, WV 25177-3560
(304) 727-8872

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

KM

“ Dear Melanie, Diana, and David,
I don't know if you read the posts on your mother's page and this but I don't have your addresses and wasn't able to get them..... I'm sorry for your loss. It was a while before I knew she had passed & I felt so terrible that I missed her services. I just want to tell you that your mom, or how I know her, Aunt Hannah, was always so generous and kind to me. I remember spending nights at your all's house, mostly with Diana but I felt so accepted and Hannah made me feel welcomed and at home. I have treasured those memories over the years. Probably have a few pictures, too. And when I was told, a while after the service, that she was gone, I thought of you guys and wanted you to receive my sincere condolences. Even though the years have gone by since we were closer, I love my aunt Hannah and will always remember her feistiness, her awesome meals, her laughter and smiles and of course, her children; you guys. I'm sorry it took so long for me to think of getting through to you in this way. Even though I feel embarrassed because of the amount of time it's been since her passing, I was driven to keep trying to tell you how sad I feel for you and everyone else who lost Hannah
Sincerely, your cousin, Kris Monroe

Kristina L Monroe - February 20, 2025 at 11:47 PM

LD

“ Love, Stephanie and David purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Hannah Lou West Lilly Bowman.



Love, Stephanie and David - July 26, 2024 at 04:17 PM

BM

“ We met Hannah through international travels. She was such a kind person and such a great addition to our group. Unfortunately, we won't be able to attend the visitation and funeral but will make a contribution to the East Bank Alumni Association . (I attended Cedar Grove High School and WVIT and did my student teaching at EBHS, so I appreciate her devotion to high school students!). She was a beautiful, great person!
Becky and Carl McLaughlin

Becky McLaughlin - July 24, 2024 at 01:03 PM

BN

“ I also met Hannah at the bridge club in St. Albans, she was a joy to be around. I often visited her at the home in Dunbar and would take her some pastry from Spring Hill Bakery, she liked their hot dogs. she once told me that I was the first man with a beard/mustache that she ever kissed, a first that I hold dear. I will miss you. With love, Bill Nichols

Bill nichols - July 23, 2024 at 07:33 PM

FR

“ We share your memory and bless the wonderful person that you are. Condolences to your precious family. Jean and Robert Freeman

Freeman - July 23, 2024 at 05:44 PM

KM

“ I first met Hannah when I was 21 years old and a new hire at McJunkin. She could not have been any kinder!! She was a sweet person and a mentor.
Karen Myers

Karen Myers - July 23, 2024 at 09:28 AM

AM

“ Austin & Debbie Moran purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Hannah Lou West Lilly Bowman.



Austin & Debbie Moran - July 22, 2024 at 08:28 PM

MR

“ I first met Hannah when she joined our bridge group at Hansford Senior Center in St. Albans. Hannah was a beautiful lady inside and out. She was always appreciative of our bridge group and made sure I knew how much she loved playing bridge with her good friends. She is sorely missed and her memory will live forever in my heart.

Marty Reynolds - July 22, 2024 at 06:42 PM



“ Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Hannah Lou West Lilly Bowman.



July 22, 2024 at 06:37 PM

LW

“ Love- Karen, Ryan & Jonnie West planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hannah Lou West Lilly Bowman.

Love- Karen, Ryan & Jonnie West - July 22, 2024 at 06:37 PM