



Mrs. Lillie B. Penrod

January 8, 1916 - January 9, 2012

Lillie Belle (Canupp) Penrod of Vienna died peacefully at Hillview Healthcare Center on January 9, 2012 at the age of 96.

Mrs. Penrod was born January 8, 1916 at Whitehill south of Cypress.

Orphaned at an early age, she knew great sorrow when she lost her mother at the age of 10.

She was united in marriage to James Franklin Penrod of Buncombe on September 21, 1935.

For 20 years she worked as a beautician in the small shop she ran out of her home in Buncombe.

In 1964 she and her husband moved to northern Illinois to work at Manteno State Hospital, where she was employed for 15 years as an activity therapy associate. With her quiet strength, she helped many there who suffered from mental illness and alcoholism.

She is survived by one son, Larry Joe Penrod, of Brampton, Ontario, Canada. Two sons, Lynn Eugene Penrod and Robert Lewis Penrod, preceded her in death.

She is also survived by three granddaughters: Andrea Penrod of Charlottesville, Virginia; Heather Penrod of Oakville, Ontario, Canada; and Aimee Gerard of Tempe, Arizona; and by one great granddaughter, Amber Gerard, of Tempe, Arizona.

In accordance with her wishes, there will be no visitation or funeral services.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

“So live, that when thy summons come to join
The innumerable caravan, which moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go not, like the quarry-slave at night,
Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.”
from “Thanatopsis” by William Cullen Bryant

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“ *Mrs. Lillie B. Penrod*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Lilly was my grandmother. I never got to know her very well at all because of family problems mostly stemming from my mother's side of the family who I was stuck with after my mother divorced my father after an accident that left him crippled. But anyway,, she seemed like a nice lady, gave me several tips on how to care for my exceedingly long hair. I am sorry she had so much tragedy in her life with her son Lyn found dead in the Mackinaw river, other son paralyzed and the third in Canada to avoid an unjust war. Then the burden trying to care for her son (my Dad), vetting his bills and payments so he could hide from society in cover of his criminal longings. Godspeed. RIP.*

Robert L Penrod - June 18, 2019 at 12:40 PM



“ *Ms. Lillie was a very nice lady and she will be missed. I am soo glad she was able to celebrate her 96th birthday and what a party Heaven had for her the next day. Prayers to the family.*

Robin Harper-Whitehead - January 11, 2012 at 09:24 AM