

Lillian Montour



Lillian Grace Montour (Nee: Burnham)
September 6, 1930 – July 2, 2022

Peacefully, with her family by her side at the Stedman Community Hospice, Lillian went to be with her Creator and family waiting for her. She waited 57 years to be reunited with her husband, Cecil Morgan Montour. She is survived by her children, her pride and joy, Ellwood (Ted) and his wife Wiz, Kevan, Steve and his wife Deneen, and Melanie. Loving Gram of Samantha, Seanna, Trinity, Shelby (Curtis), Skylar (Quintan), and Cecil (Jaclyn) and Step-Gram to Melissa and Maya. Great-Gram to DeVvyn, Dantae, Desmond, Jahiem, Jahkari, Jaxxin, Matteo, Mila, Abigail, Teyo, Sookulaan and Dawson. Sister-in-law and special friend of B. Joyce Burnham. She will be deeply missed by her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, extended family and friends. Predeceased by sons, Gary (2019) and Jason (2017); granddaughter Shae Madeline; Parents, Edward & Mina; Father-in-law, Frank Montour, brothers and sisters; Ethel, Norma Mae, Ellwood (Hazel), Walter (Edith), Rosalie (Armand), John (Angeline), Nina, and William; Brother-in-laws and Sister-in-laws, Dorothy & Jake Davis, Bobby & Gertie Montour, Ken & Winnie Montour, Albert (Bun) & Maizie Montour, and George & Mickey Montour. Lillian was a very hard worker and persevered through tough times while raising her six children. **In the early years, she was a founding member of and first Librarian at the Six Nations Public Library**, while working in tobacco and attending Mohawk College in the evenings. Then, Lillian became the Head Librarian at the Woodland Cultural Centre. In later years, she commuted to Toronto daily and worked as an administrative assistant at the Ontario Federation of Indian Friendship Centres until her retirement. Lillian (Lolly) was a community treasure, serving as a band councillor on the Six Nations Band Council. She was an active member of the Six Nations Fair Board, Grand River Post-Secondary Education Committee, and Six Nations Health Foundation for many years. Lillian was a long-time member of the Mohawk Singers, St. Peter's Church Choir and organist. The family will honour her life with visitation at Styres Funeral Home, 1798 4th Line, Ohsweken on Monday, July 4, 2022 from 6-8 pm. (Family would ask that you follow covid protocol, face coverings and minimum contact). Funeral Service and burial will be held at St. Luke's Anglican Church, Six Nations on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 1:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Six Nations Health Foundation.