

Meet Resident Lillian Cohan

Lillian's father left Russia to come to America where he met her mother, they married and both became citizens of the U.S. Lillian's family was proud to be citizens.

Lillian was born in New York City to Russian immigrants and is the middle sister of three girls. Lillian attended public school, learned English and took private lessons in Yiddish. As a teenager she joined several clubs, took photography, dancing, and studied politics.

At the age of 15 Lillian met Irving, her future husband. She says, "He was a smart redhead who played sports and was a talented musician." He served in WWII, and as soon as he was discharged in 1945 Lillian and Irving were married. They had three wonderful sons and filled their home with music, something the entire family enjoyed.

As the children became older Lillian earned her Associates Degree in teaching, but she decided she preferred banking to teaching and continued working in banks until she retired at age 78.

When Irving retired they moved to Scottsdale, Arizona. Unfortunately, he passed away just a few years later at the age of 59. Lillian remained in Scottsdale for the next 30 years before moving to FTJ where she is close to her son, Carl, and his wife, Linda, who live four blocks away.

Lillian enjoys art, gardening, reading fiction and biographies, theatre, and playing cards. She also loves to travel and has traveled throughout the entire United States.

Lillian is very proud of her three sons and her six grandchildren. She is close to her sister, Evie, and her three nieces. "My life at FTJ is very enjoyable," she says "and I continue to be active in the community tutoring second grade students at the local elementary school every Tuesday. I love to help people!" Lillian is always nice to those she meets and says, "I want to live in a peaceful and safe world where my children have a future and everyone lives in harmony." Lillian's positive outlook on life is contagious. She is a true treasure here at FTJ!



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