Among our most imposing summer wildflowers are the true Lilies. All have large flowers ranging from yellow to orange-red with dark spots within, nodding except in one species.

The tallest (8 feet or more) is the majestic Turk's-cap Lily (*Lilium superbium*). This may have whorls of up to 20 narrow lancelolate leaves and bear a score of flowers. The tepals are strongly recurved, exposing the long pistil and stamens; green stripes form a distinctive star in the throat.

Superficially similar is the Carolina Lily (*L. michauxii*), but this does not exceed 4 feet and seldom has more than 2 flowers, which lack the green markings. The leaves are fewer, shorter, and widest beyond the middle.

Canada Lily (*L. canadense*), uncommon here, has bell-shaped flowers with segments that are much less recurved and only slightly surpassed by the pistil. In *L. grayi*, Gray's or Roan Lily, the flowers are smaller and the tepals spread still less at their tips.

Wood Lily (*L. philadelphicum*) is unique in that its flowers are erect and its tepals narrowed at the base to a slender claw.

Signed: Dick Smith