Yizkor

In Loving Remembrance

Yom Kippur 5781 (2020)

The memory of the righteous is for a blessing.
— Proverbs 10:7

Congregation Bet Haverim
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Turn these pages gently; they contain more than names.

During this Yom Kippur Yizkor service, we turn our thoughts to those close to us who have gone to their eternal rest. We reflect on how profoundly their lives remain bound up with ours, even after death. We remember the sweetness of our time with them, how much a part of our lives they were, even the challenges of our relationships with them, and we yearn to stretch our arms out across eternity to them.

The three pilgrimage holidays of Sukkot, Pesach, and Shavuot are also times for the Yizkor service. The last page of this booklet lists the dates and times of Yizkor observances during the coming year.

It is our hope that this booklet of remembrance will help serve our obligation and yearning to remember. We thank all the individuals and families whose contributions made its production possible.

May the Source of all comfort send consolation, healing, and peace to those who mourn and those who remember. May the memory of those closest to us who have passed from this world endure as a lasting benediction.

Rabbi Greg Wolfe Rabbi David Aladjem Steve Cohen and Mitch Singer, co-presidents Mark Joske, Ritual Committee Alan Titche, Barbara Anderson, and Doug Walter, Yizkor Book coordinators The light of life is a finite flame. Like the Yom Tov candles, life is kindled, it burns, it glows, it is radiant with warmth and beauty. But soon it fades; its substance is consumed, and it is no more.

In light we see; in light we are seen. The flames dance and our lives are full. But as night follows day, the candle of our life burns down and gutters. There is an end to the flames. We see no more and are no more seen. Yet we do not despair, for we are more than a memory slowly fading into the darkness. With our lives we give life. Something of us can never die: we move in the eternal cycle of darkness and death, of light and life.



Death is Not the Enemy

I often feel that death is not the enemy of life, but its friend; for it is the knowledge that our years are limited which makes them so precious. It is the truth that time is but lent to us which makes us, at our best, look upon our years as a trust handed into our temporary keeping.

We are like children privileged to spend a day in a great park, a park filled with many gardens and playgrounds and azure-tinted lakes with white boats sailing upon the tranquil waves.

True, the day allotted to each of us is not the same in length, in light, in beauty. Some children of earth are privileged to spend a long and sunlit day in the garden of the earth. For others the day is shorter, cloudier, and dusk descends more quietly as in a winter's tale.

But whether our life is a long summery day or a shorter wintry afternoon, we know that inevitably there are storms and squalls which overcast even the bluest heaven and there are sunlit rays which pierce the darkest autumn sky. The day that we are privileged to spend in the great park of life is not the same for all human beings; but there is enough beauty and joy and gaiety in the hours, if we will but treasure them.

Then for each of us the moment comes when the great nurse, death, takes us by the hand and quietly says, "It is time to go home. Night is coming. It is your bedtime, child of earth. Come; you're tired. Lie down at last in the quiet nursery of nature and sleep. Sleep well. The day is gone. Stars shine in the canopy of eternity."

—Joshua Loth Liebman

Limnot Yameinu: Psalm 90:12

לִמְנוֹת יָמֵינוּ כֵּן הוֹדַע וְנָבִא לְבַב חָכְמָה:

Limnot yamei-nu, limnot yamei-nu Limnot yameinu, ken hoda V'navi l'vav chochma. Limnot yameinu, ken hoda V'navi l'vav chochma.

Treasure each day,
Teach us to treasure each day.
Treasure each day,
Teach us to treasure each day.
Teach us to treasure each day, teach us to treasure each day.
That we may open our hearts to your wisdom,
Oh teach us to treasure each day.
That we may open our hearts to your wisdom,
Oh teach us to treasure each day.

Treasure each day,
Teach us to treasure each day.
Treasure each day,
Teach us to treasure each day.
—Rabbi Yitzhak Husbands-Hankin

Adonai Mah Adam

Adonai mah adam v'teda'eynu ben enosh vat'chashveyhu.

Lord, what are we humans, that You have regard for us

Mere mortals, that You take account of us?

We are like a breath,

Our days are like a fleeting shadow.

Teach us to number our days,

That we may attain a heart of wisdom.

The Lord redeems the life of God's servants;

And those who trust in God shall not feel forsaken.

-Biblical verses

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Eternal God, in whose eyes a thousand years are but as yesterday, in whose hands are the souls of the living and the dead, in Your sight every soul is precious. O Lord, from whom we come and to whom we return, strengthen us as we now remember our loved ones who have been united with You. Be with us as we consecrate this hour to the memory of our departed.

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Shiviti Shekinah l'negdi tamid.

I have set the Lord before me always, God is at my right hand; I shall not fail. Therefore my heart rejoices, my whole being exults, And my body rests secure.

Ki ta'avor B'mayim: Isaiah 43:2

-קּיִ- תְּעֲבֹר בַּמַיִם אִתְּךָ-אַנִי וּבַנַּהַרוֹת לא יִשְׁטְפּוּך

Ki ta'avor b'mayim, itcha ani, itcha ani (2x) U'va'n'harot lo yishtafucha, lo yishtafucha (2x)

When you pass through the waters, I am with you, yes I am with you (2x).

I won't let the rivers overwhelm you,
I will be with you (2x).

—Rabbi Shefa Gold

We Recall

Eternal God, we have come to sanctify our fleeting lives by linking them with Yours, O Life of all Ages. In You, generations past, present, and future are united in one bond of life.

At this sacred hour, we are aware of those souls through whom we have come to know of Your grace and love. All the wisdom, beauty, and affection that have enriched our lives are the garnered fruits of our communion with others.

Many of those to whom we owe so much are alive with us today; and we pray that we may be able to reward their goodness and their devotion to us by acts of love and loyalty.

But others have passed forever from our midst, leaving us a heritage of tender moments which now fill our minds.

Some of us recall today beloved parents who watched over us, nursed us, guided us, and sacrificed for us.

Some of us lovingly call to mind a wife or a husband with whom we were truly united—in our hopes and our pains, in our failures and our achievements, in our joys and our sorrows.

Some of us remember brothers and sisters, who grew up together with us, sharing in the play of childhood, in the youthful adventure of discovering life's possibilities, bound to us by a heritage of family tradition and by years of comradeship and love.

Some of us call to mind children, entrusted to our care all too briefly, taken from us before they reached the years of maturity and fulfillment, to whom we gave our loving care and from whom we received a trust which enriched our lives.

All of us recall beloved relatives and friends whose affection and devotion enhanced our lives, and whose visible presence will never return to cheer, encourage or support us.

Though they are gone from us we are grateful for the blessings they brought and were to us. Now, by giving to others the love which our departed gave to us, we can partly repay the debt we owe them.

We are sustained and comforted by the thought that the goodness which they brought into our lives remains an enduring blessing which we can bequeath to our descendants.

We can still serve our departed by serving You. We can show our devotion to them by our devotion to those ideals which they cherished.

O God of Love, make us worthy of the love we have received by teaching us to love You with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our might, and to spread the light of Your divine love on all whose lives touch ours.

Give us strength to live honorably and, when our time comes, to die serenely, cheered by the confidence that You will not permit our lives to be wasted, but will bring all our worthy strivings to fulfillment.

Amen.

—Mordecai M. Kaplan, Eugene Kohn, and Ira Eisenstein (adapted)

In Memory of Departed Congregants

In this memorial hour, we recall members of our Congregation who have been taken from us. During the year 5780 (2019–2020), we grieved the loss of the following loved ones:

Sally Gene Eckert, partner

Connie Caldwell, wife of Sharon McCorkell

Barry Browne, brother of Jennifer Goldman

Estelle Wiser, mother of Celeste Wiser

Ralph Heymann, partner, husband of Leny Heymann

Buddy Bernstein, father of Eric Crane

Robert Bacskai, father of Dotti Egel

Peggy Epstein, partner, wife of Emanuel Epstein

Eve Bukowski, partner, wife of Patrick Bukowski

Gari Ketcham, father of Valentina Joske

Jacquelyn Sanders, mother of Seth Sanders

William "Bill" Selby Jr., father of Kathryn Selby Shickman

Marcia Rosenstein, wife of Stan Rosenstein

Martin Pochapin, father of Robi Pochapin

Adella Harris Feinberg, mother of Aimee Feinberg

Jerry Gotlieb, father of Heidi Smith

Mark Berman, cousin of Annette and Steve Fineberg

Gary Kaplan, brother of Roy Kaplan

Susie Nachmanoff, mother of David Nachmanoff

Arnold Stone, father of Douglas Stone

May their souls rest in peace.

Their Memories Illumine Our World

There are stars whose light reaches the earth only after they themselves have disintegrated. And there are individuals whose memory lights the world after they have passed from it. These lights shine in the darkest night and illumine for us the path . . . — Hannah Senesh

To their family and friends, we offer these words of comfort: הַמַּקוֹם יָנָחָם אָתָכֶם בַּתוֹךְ שָׁאַר אֲבֶלִי צִיּוֹן וִירוּשַׁלִים.

Ha'makom yenakhem etkhem betokh she'ar avelei Tziyon vi'Yerushalayim.

May God console you among the other mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

We Remember Them

At the rising of the sun and at its going down, we remember them.

At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, we remember them.

At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring, we remember them.

At the shining of the sun and in the warmth of summer, we remember them.

At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn, we remember them.

At the beginning of the year and at its end, we remember them.

As long as we live, they too will live; for they are now a part of us, as we remember them.

When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them.

When we are lost and sick at heart, we remember them.

When we have joy we crave to share, we remember them.

When we have decisions that are difficult to make, we remember them.

When we have achievements based on theirs, we remember them.

As long as we live, they too will live; for they are now a part of us, as we remember them.

—Sylvan Kamens and Jack Riemer

We remember . . .

Remembered by Daniel and Amy Abramson

Carolyn Abramson (1927–2017), Dan's mother

Audrey Schottland (1930–2018), Amy's mother

James Schottland (1927–2000), Amy's father

Remembered by Allison Alcalay

Silvy Alcalay (1923–2016), father

Irene Rugeti (1908–2000), grandmother

Albert Rugeti (1896–1975), grandfather

Alice Alcalay (1900-1973), grandmother

Solomon Alcalay (1890–1959), grandfather

Remembered by Barbara Anderson

John Folsom (1963–1986), son

Robert Anderson (1909–1966), father

Agnes Anderson (1912–1973), mother

Marie Austin (1919–2012), aunt

Myra Folsom (1949–2007), sons' stepmother

Larry and Charlotte Feldman, adopted family

Lisa Baldwin (1955–2012), friend

Jan Conroy (1947-2014), friend

Neil Irving (1945–2017), brother-in-law and friend

Ruth Schmitt (1917–2019), dear friend

Fred Folsom (1939–2019), sons' father

Betty Folsom Wilkins (1916–2020), sons' grandmother

Remembered by Sheri, John S, Betty, Caryn, John T, Peter,

Angela, Samantha, Allie, Cooper, Quinn, and Celeste Belafsky

Mark Belafsky

John Walter Stauder

Remembered by Mark Berman, Lynn Simon, and Livia Berman

Charles D. Berman (1915–1996), Mark's father

Lillian Berman (1916–2001), Mark's mother

Arliss Simon (1931–2018), Lynn's mother

Remembered by Robert and Sheila Beyer

Charles Weiss (1910-1976), Sheila's father

Nellie Weiss (1910–2004), Sheila's mother

Jack Beyer (1899–1985), Robert's father

Marjorie Beyer (1907–2006), Robert's mother

Jon Beyer (1938–2017), Robert's brother

Remembered by Ernie Biberstein

Hannah Biberstein (1928–2011), life companion

Hans Biberstein (1889–1965), father

Erna Biberstein (1890–1978), mother

Rabbi Hugo Hahn (1892–1967), Hannah's father

Aenne Hahn (1902–1955), Hannah's mother

Miriam Cohn (1925-1993), Hannah's sister

Rabbi Bernard Cohn (1925-1992), Miriam's husband

Ludwig Boettigheimer (1910–2002), cousin

Marianne Boettigheimer (d. 2003), cousin

Remembered by Patrick Bukowski

Eve Bukowski (1967–2020), wife and mother

Remembered by Emily Burstein

Lucien Burstein (1922–2012), father

Rose Anne Burstein (1922–2012), mother

Remembered by Joy, Steve, Ian, Colin, and Aidan Cohan

Ann Gollob (1911-1999), Steve's grandmother

Joan Cohan (1933–2016), Steve's mother

John Cohan (1931–2001), Steve's father

Elizabeth Herndon (1941–2016), Joy's mother

James Herndon (1934–2017), Joy's father

Randy Smith (1955–2018), Joy's brother-in-law

Remembered by Ronald and Liba Cohn

Willy Cohn (1916–1992), Ron's father

Revekka Lyustiger (1923–2018), Liba's mother

Remembered by Mitchell and Jennifer Creinin

Herbert Bloom (1937–2018), Jennifer's father

Irving Brostoff (1910-2002), Mitchell's grandfather

Laura Brostoff (1912–2010), Mitchell's grandmother

Remembered by Carol Darwish, Robi and Miriam Pochapin

Martin Pochapin (1926-2020), Robi's father

David Darwish (1939–2013), Carol's father

Marsha Pochapin (1936–2019), Robi's mother

Miro Darwish (1947–2011), Carol's uncle

Rose Shashoual (1958–2019), Carol's aunt

Kamal Darwish (1934–2020), Carol's cousin

Remembered by Rob, Dotti, Naomi, and Benjy Egel

Pauline Egel (1927–1979), Rob's mother

Leo Egel (1920-2011), Rob's father

Robert Bacskai (1930–2020), Dotti's father

Dora and Alec Carlin, Rob's grandparents

Abraham and Alice Egel, Rob's grandparents

Laszlo and Alice Boschan, Dotti's grandparents

Alfred and Clara Stoessler, Dotti's grandparents

Laszlo Diamant, Irene Boschan, Vera Boschan, and all those

of Dotti's family who perished in the Holocaust

Remembered by Ethan, Carolina, Sebastian, and Kamila Ehrlich

Don Ehrlich (1962–2020), brother, brother-in-law,

and children's uncle

Remembered by Aimee Feinberg and Matthew, Lilah, and Isaac Segal

Adella Harris Feinberg (1943–2020), mother,

mother-in-law, grandmother

Johnathan Feinberg (1935–2019), father, father-in-law, grandfather

Remembered by Naomi Feldman

Dan Feldman (1932–2018), husband

Esther Bellinson (1902–2001), mother

Sol Bellinson (1894–1971), father

Sarah Frank (1910–2011), aunt

Yetta Greenberg (1877–1950), grandmother

Remembered by Lawrence and Dalia Frank and the Frank-Bobell family

Jacob Engel (1904-1987), Dalia's father

Hannah Engel (1911–1995), Dalia's mother

Phil Frank (1910–1982), Lawrence's father

Evelyn Dystel Frank (1913–1981), Lawrence's mother

Remembered by Judith Frankel

Edwin Nessim Frankel (1928–2019), our beloved father

Remembered by Eric and Jocelyn Glassberg

Pearl Glassberg (1945–2017), mother

Gerald Glassberg (1935–1993), father

Remembered by Marcia Freedman

F. Robert Freedman (1932–1998), husband

Ellen Penner Sultan (1937–2006), sister

Remembered by Kathy Glatter

Mickey Glatter (1932–1985), beloved mother

Rafelle Glatter (1941–2020), cousin

Bernie Marks (1929–2018), dear friend

Remembered by Cynthia Goldberg and Rachel Goldberg-Lapointe

Steven Lapointe (1952–1999), husband and father

Bernard Goldberg (1923–2019), father and grandfather

Doris Grodzen Goldberg (1923–2000), mother and grandmother

Robert Lapointe (1928–2008), grandfather

Barbara Rose Lapointe (1928–1994), grandmother

George Grodzin (1920–2008), uncle

Ruth Aronovitz Grodzin (1916–2008), aunt

Morris Grodzen (1927–2003), uncle

Betty Grodzin (1916–2000), aunt

Remembered by Mark Goldman and Jessica Tucker-Mohl

Irving Goldman (1916–2012), father

Remembered by Ilana Golin, Seth Leonard, and Talia Golin

Debbi Nichols (1947–2015), their beloved friend

Irving Wilder (1917–1975), Ilana's grandfather

Beatrice Golin (1914–2009), Ilana's grandmother

Ruby Golin (1916–2002), Ilana's grandfather

Remembered by Rich and Laurie Halen

William Halen, father

Eugene Schwartz, father

Sadie Antignas, grandmother

Remembered by Magdalena Heymann

Ralph Heymann (1922–2020), spouse

Remembered by Cynthia Hoffman, Jane Credland, and Michael Hoffmann

Nathan Hoffman (1910–1994), grandfather and father

Sara Hoffman (1914–1998), grandmother and mother

Frank Zbarsky, grandfather

Rose Zbarsky, grandmother

Dianna Zbarsky Hoffman (1938–2000), mother

Remembered by Sophie and Julie Hochman

Sherman Hochman (1930–2019), husband of Sophie, father of Julie

Rebecca and Abraham Primakow, parents of Sophie Minna and Yisrael Hochman, parents of Sherman Leah Feinman, sister of Sophie Rose Dubester, sister of Sophie Dolly Sumberg, sister of Sophie

Remembered by Sandi and John Kniep

Jacob I. Hascal (1871–1956), Sandi's grandfather Faiga R. Hascal (1891–1959), Sandi's grandmother Helen Hascal Lewis (1920-2000), Sandi's mother Victor Lewis (1922–2008), Sandi's father Louis H. Kniep (1916-2007), John's father Betty McGrew Kniep (1919–2015), John's mother Marilyn Lewis Alworth (1943–1984), Sandi's sister David Michael Lewis (1945–1981), Sandi's brother David Steven Kniep (1952–1980), John's brother Gregory Ralph Gallo (1962–2018), Sandi's nephew Betty Roberts (1913–1992), aunt Beth Hascal (1923–1994), Sandi's aunt Joseph B. Hascal (1924–2010), Sandi's uncle Betty Hascal (1924–1986), Sandi's aunt Marvin Hascal (1927–2005), Sandi's uncle Rick Hascal (1952–1993), Sandi's cousin

Remembered by Bill Julian and Robin Kulakow J. William Julian (1920–2004), Bill's father Frances B. Julian (1923–2012), Bill's mother

Remembered by John Grindler Katonah Ilona V. Katonah (1915–2015), dear mother

Remembered by Marjory Kaplan Rita Joshel, mother

Solomon Joshel, grandfather Bertha Joshel, grandmother Myron Joshel, father

Remembered by Anna Eckert-Kramer and Diann Kramer Sally Eckert (1942–2019), Anna's mother

Remembered by Nancy Lazarus and David Siegel
Helen Siegel (1916–1983), David's mother
Leon Siegel (1912–1983), David's father
Hilda Lazarus (1910–2001), Nancy's mother
Murray Lazarus (1906–1998), Nancy's father

Remembered by Allan and Claudia Leavitt

Vera Chestnutt (1926–1991), Claudia's mother Philip E. Chestnutt (1926–2018), Claudia's father Jerry Anderson (1931–2012), Claudia's uncle Hazel Anderson (1931–2020), Claudia's aunt Greg Anderson (1954–2020), Claudia's cousin Sam Leavitt (1917–1998), Allan's father

Remembered by Kristi, Matt, Kalev, Aviella, Etan, and Ori Link-Crosier

Walter Link (1927–2019), Kristi's grandpa

Remembered by Janet and Stanley Meizel

Sidney Elroff (1904–1985), mother David Elroff (1908–1989), father

Remembered by Ronald Mikalson

Berdie Byron Mikalson (1920–2012), mother

Remembered by Diane Moore and Stephen Jacobs

Jean Jacobs (1913–1999), mother

Tevis Jacobs (1906–1974), father

George Moore (1927–2011), Diane's husband

Barney Schuck (1920–2006), uncle

Daniel Redholtz (1926–2014), cousin

Remembered by Raphael and Netania Moore

Rachel Melamed (1936–1997), Netania's mother

Remembered by Hallie Morrow

Abe Wahl (1922–1973), father

Phyllis Wahl (1924–1986), mother

Todd Wahl (1976-2002), nephew

Remembered by Stephanie Moss, Thomas and Sam Sands

Samuel H. Moss (1923–1997), Stephanie's father

Ina M. Moss (1929–2004), Stephanie's mother

Elaine S. Gay (1956–2011), Stephanie's sister

Julia Anne Sands (1923–1997), Thomas's mother

Remembered by David, Jennifer, Sophia, and Django Nachmanoff Susie Nachmanoff (1935–2020), David's mother

Remembered by Karen Neuwald

Adolf Neuwald (1906–1991), father

Gretl Neuwald (1918–2007), mother

Toni Neuwald (1918-1994), aunt

Berthold Neuwald (1902-1983), uncle

Renee Neuwald (1935–1999), cousin

Helen Martell (1904–1999), cousin

Ima Kay Zimmermann (1943–2017), cousin by marriage

Remembered by Carole Plack and Jim Faulkner

Albert Levin (1911–1988), Carole's father

Gertrude Levin (1913–1990), Carole's mother

Ida Levin (1870–1944), Carole's grandmother

Simon Levin (1871–1950), Carole's grandfather

Sarah Gordon (1886–1970), Carole's grandmother

Louis Gordon (1884–1959), Carole's grandfather

Remembered by Norma and Larry Rappaport

Aaron Rappaport, father of Larry

Elsie Rappaport, mother of Larry

Libby Kasimow, sister of Larry

Henry Kasimow, brother-in-law of Larry

Pamela Kasimow, niece of Larry

Joseph Horwitz, father of Norma

Sarah Horwitz, mother of Norma

Remembered by Eugene and Elizabeth Renkin

Mary Renkin (1904–1945), Gene's mother

Harry Renkin (1897–1984), Gene's father

Nettie Renkin (1913–1986), Gene's stepmother

Mary Margaret Russell (1907–1994), Libby's mother

Harry Russell (1902–1996), Libby's father

Remembered by Janet Saunders and Roy Kaplan

Linda Saunders Feldman (1915–2017), Janet's mother

Joseph Walter Saunders (1913-1969), Janet's father

Solomon H. Kaplan (1908–1984), Roy's father

Adele Kaplan (1912–2005), Roy's mother

Howard Kaplan (1965–1977), Roy's nephew

Barbara Goodfried Kaplan (1947–2012), Roy's wife

Robert Kaplan (1937–2018), Roy's brother

Gary Kaplan (1933–2020), Roy's brother

Remembered by Walter Sherwood

Barbara Lieberman Sherwood (1941–2018), wife

Remembered by Mitchell, Jennie, Brianna, and Leo Singer

Sam Singer (1927–2013), Mitchell's father

David Kaufman (1968–2004), Jennie's brother

Remembered by Heidi and Bob Smith

Robert L. Smith (1932-1992), Bob's father

Jennifer Switzer (1967–2000), Bob's sister

Evon Gotlieb (1931–2012), Heidi's mother

Jerry Gotlieb (1931-2020), Heidi's father

Remembered by Al and Sandra Sokolow

Ida Dolgonos (1904–1939), Sandra's mother

Harry Dolgonos (1898–1972), Sandra's father Sylvia Sokolow (1902–1987), Al's mother

Sylvia Sokolow (1902–1907), Al 8 illouid

Max Sokolow (1890-1949), Al's father

Remembered by Hannah Stein

Rose Danitz (1908–2005), mother

Jesse Danitz (1900–1992), father

Seymour Gordon (1923–2010), uncle

Remembered by Linda Sternberg

Dora Kohn Garber (1916–2016), Linda's mother

Irwin "Irv" Garber (1911–2010), Linda's father

David Sternberg (1943-2004), Linda's husband

Remembered by Douglas, Rita, and Jared Stone, and Terri Lyman Arnold Stone (1928–2020), father, husband, grandfather

Remembered by Dennis Styne

Bernice Styne (1912–1990), Dennis's mother Irving Styne (1913–1969), Dennis's father Morris Coopersmith (1892–1987), Dennis's grandfather Anna Coopersmith (1894–1981), Dennis's grandmother

Remembered by Alan Titche and Beth Tausczik
Hali Titche (1991–1992), their daughter
May Titche (1923–1998), Alan's mother
Russell Taussig (1921–2008), Beth's father
Ellis Titche (1923–2015), Alan's father

Remembered by Rabbi Greg Wolfe

Pearl Levit (1906–1999), Greg's grandmother Al Levit (1901–1974), Greg's grandfather Robert Wolfe (1900–1982), Greg's grandfather Dorothy Wolfe (1909–2004), Greg's grandmother

Remembered by Stephen and Roni White

David I. Halpern (1947–2007), Roni's brother Bernice Halpern (1923–1999), Roni's mom Solomon H. Halpern (1919–2005), Roni's dad Herbert White (1922–2015), Stephen's father Judith White (1919–2011), Stephen's mother

Remembered by Sarah Zimmerman and Kim Carter
Rose Prepstein Zimmerman (1900–1991), bubbe
Charles Sasha Zimmerman (1895–1983), zeyda
Paul L. Zimmerman (1932–2018), father
Inaclaire Carter, mom
H. Rowland Carter, dad

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Meditations on the Loss of a Loved One

The following readings are offered as aids in evoking your treasured memories of each departed loved one in your heart and mind today, and for revisiting the special relationship you shared with each of them. May these readings draw you close again to those you miss so much and help you honor your ongoing journey from the grief of loss toward healing.

(Based on a prayer by the Rev. Dr. Bernadine Craft)

For any **recent loss:**

Ha'makom yenakhem etkhem betokh she'ar avelei Tziyon vi'Yerushalayim. May God console you among the other mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

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For the loss of a parent:

My heart and mind are filled with precious memories of you, and parts of your being remain and echo within me as I live my life each day. I recall the unique quality of your influence in my life, and I still hear your voice as you once spoke it to me. I view with compassion the challenges and complexities that were part of our lives together. You live on in the good I do, in the lessons you taught me, and in the light I bring into the lives of others.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain and grief following the loss of my father/mother. Bless each precious memory of my father/mother, that he/she may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

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For the loss of a **spouse:**

My companion, your absence from my life is an emptiness beyond words. Many times you were my sounding board, my mirror, or the harmony to my melody. So many physical reminders and daily experiences, both mundane and extraordinary, return me to our life together. I recall the complex dance of our marriage, through both the sweet times and the storms we weathered together. I miss you as the exhale would miss the inhale.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain and grief following the loss of my wife/husband. Bless each precious memory of my wife/husband, that she/he may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

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For the loss of a **grandparent:**

You occupy a special place within me as the parent of my parent, and you bestowed upon me blessings that only a grandparent could provide. I remember how our relationship was like no other, and how your gifts to me could come from no one but you. I honor you for the wisdom and goodness of all your years.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain and grief following the loss of my grandfather/grandmother. Bless each precious memory of my grandfather/grandmother, that he/she may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

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For the loss of a **sibling**:

I remember all that you and I shared within our family, and the many ways we knew each other like no else could. I remember the many days when our time together was full of laughter and companionship and understanding. I also remember our differences, our unique qualities that sometimes added spice, sometimes rivalry or contention, to our lives together.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain and grief following the loss of my brother/sister. Bless each precious memory of my brother/sister, that he/she may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

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For the loss of a **child:**

Your loss affects me as no other loss could. I remember the qualities that were distinctly yours, and all that you meant to me during our time together, through the joys and the heartaches. You were taken from me too soon, and some piece of me will always be missing.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain and grief following the loss of my daughter/son. Bless each precious memory of my daughter/son, that she/he may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

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For the loss of an **infant:**

You were so very young when you left, a precious gift of joy and wonder and boundless potential. I miss the gaze of your bright eyes, the feel of your warm skin on mine, and the heft of your body sleeping peacefully in my arms. I mourn the loss of you, and of all that you would have become, and I grieve for the you I would never come to know.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain and grief following the loss of my daughter/son. Bless each precious memory of my daughter/son, that she/he may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

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For those who experienced a **miscarriage** or a **stillbirth**:

You were nearly pure potential, the focal point of so many of my hopes and dreams. I took joy in imagining all that you would bring to my life. I still grieve what I can never know: the life we might have shared.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain and grief following this loss. Bless each precious memory of those hope-filled days, that they may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

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For the loss of **other relatives:**

I remember your role in my life, and the way you inhabited your place within our family. I recall many of the times we were together, whether during happy occasions or through difficult times.

My memories of you occupy a special place within me.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain and grief following the loss of my [relative]. Bless each precious memory of my [relative], that she/he may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

For the loss of a **friend:**

You were woven into the fabric of my life, and I recall your knowing and companionable gaze. I remember meeting you so often on the common ground we shared, and the way we saw into each other as few others could. Despite our differences and times of disagreement, our times of ease and harmony will always be a source of comfort and inspiration to me.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain and grief following the loss of my friend. Bless each precious memory of my friend, that she/he may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

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For difficult relationships:

Life brought us together and we tried to find common ground, but our inability to bridge the gulf between us has left an empty place within me. Even though our relationship too often left each of us feeling worse, not better, I value this opportunity to honor your memory, to remember what was good between us, and to leave our difficulties behind.

Blessed are You, O God of light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain following this loss. Bless each precious memory of this relationship, that these memories may live always in my heart and in my mind. Amen.

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For those touched by suicide:

You were such a wonderful person. And yet you were overwhelmed by the chaos you saw around you and the torment within. You sought the only relief that you could imagine, ending the life that was so precious to me.

Blessed are You, O God of Light, for your continuing presence in my journey out of the darkness of pain following this loss. Bring comfort to the souls of those who have sought relief by their own hand, and to those whom they have left behind, who still struggle with what happened, who still yearn to share moments in their lives with those they have lost. Amen.

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Eyl Maley Rachamim

אַל מָלֵא רַחֲמִים שוֹכֵן בָּמְרוֹמִים הַמְצֵא מְנוּחָה נְכוֹנְה תַּחַת כַּנְפִּי הַשְּׁכִינָה בְּמַצֵּלוֹת קְדוֹשִׁים וּטְהוֹרִים כְּוֹהָר הָרָקִיעַ מַוְהִירִים אָת־נִשְׁמוֹת כָּל־אֵלֶה שָׁהִוְכַּרְנוּ הִיוֹם לְבְרָכָה. אָנָא בִּעַל הָרַחֲמִים תַּסְתִּירֵם בְּמַחָר כְנָפֵיךְ לְעוֹלְמִים. וְחִצְרוֹר בִּצְרוֹר הַחַיִּים אָת־נִשְׁמוֹתִיהָם וְיָנְוחוּ עַל־מִשְׁכְבוֹתָם בִּשְׁלוֹם. וָנֹאמַר אָמֵן:

Merciful God, who dwells on high and in our hearts, grant perfect peace to the souls of our dearly beloved who have gone to their eternal rest. Shelter them in Your Divine Presence among the holy and pure whose radiance is like the brightness of the firmament. May their memory inspire us to live justly and kindly. May their souls be at peace; and may they be bound up in the bond of eternal life. Let us say: Amen.

Psalm 23

סִוְסוֹר לְדָּוִד. יִיָּ רֹעִי לֹא אָחְסָר: בְּנְאוֹת דֲשָׁא יִרְבִּיצִנִי. עַל־מֵי מְנָחוֹת יְנַהֻלַנִי: נַּפְשִׁי יְשׁוֹכָב. יַנְחֲנִי בְּמַעְנְּלֵי־צֵדְק לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ: עַּבְיּך וְמִשְׁעַנְתֵּךְ בְּנָיִא צֵּלְמֵנָת. לֹא־אִירָא רָע כִּי־אַתָּה עִמְדִי. תַּעְרֹךְ לְפָנִי שְׁלְחָן נֵנֵד צֹרְרָי. הַשְׁרָתְּ בְשֵׁמָן רֹאשִׁי כּוֹסִי רְנָיָה: תַּשְׁבְתִּייִי לְאָּרָךְ יָמִים:

Mizmor l'David,
Adonai ro'i lo echsar.
Binot desheh yarbitzeini, al mei menuchot yenachaleini.
Nafshi yeshovev yancheini bemagalei tzedek l'ma'an shemo.
Gam ki elech be'gei tzalmavet, lo ira ra ki ata imadi,
Shivtecha u'mishantecha hema yenachamuni.
Ta'aroch l'fanai shulchan neged tzorerai
Dishanta vashemen roshi, cosi rivaya.
Ach tov v'chesed yirdifuni kol yemei chayai
V'shavti b'veit Adonai l'orech yamim.

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
God makes me lie down in green pastures,
God leads me beside the still waters.
God revives my spirit;
God guides me in paths of righteousness
for God's name's sake.
Though I walk in the valley of the shadow of death,
I fear no evil; for You are with me.
Your rod and Your staff comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my foes.
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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With reverence we recall the unknown millions of the House of Israel who sacrificed their lives for the sanctification of the Holy Name in times of persecution and catastrophe.

So, too, we remember those brave men and women who fell on the field of battle in the struggle for freedom and honor.

Our hearts are particularly heavy this year as we mourn so many innocent lives around the world that were lost due to war, terrorism, natural disasters, and the COVID-19 pandemic.

May God send healing and comfort to us all.

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A Special Reading Before the Kaddish

When I die
If you need to weep
Cry for someone
Walking the street beside you.
And when you need me
Put your arms around others
And give them what you need to give me.
You can love me most by letting
Hands touch hands, and
Souls touch souls.
You can love me most by
Sharing your simchas and
Multiplying your mitzvot.
You can love me most by

You can love me most by Letting me live in your eyes

And not on your mind.

And when you say Kaddish for me Remember what our Torah teaches,

Love doesn't die

People do.

So when all that's left of me is love

Give me away.

Mourner's Kaddish

Mourner

יְתְנַדְל וְיִחְקַדְשׁ שְּׁמָה רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּיבְרָא כִּרְעוּחָה. וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתַה בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל־בָּיח יִשְּרָאֵל בְּעַנֶלָא וּבִוְמַן קָרִיב. וְאִמְרוּ אָמַן:

Congregation and Mourners: יְהַא שְׁמַהּ רָבָּא מְבָרַךּ לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמֵיָא:

Mourners

יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבָּח וְיִתְּפָּאַר וְיִתְרַמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׁא וְיִחְהַדְּר וְיִתְעַלָּה וְיִתְהַלֵּל שְׁמֵה דְקְדְשָׁא. בְּרִיךְ הוּא. לְעַלָּא וּלְעַלָּא מִרְכָּל-בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא הְשְׁבִּחָתָא וְנָחֲמָתָא דְאֵמִירְן בְּעָלְמָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

יָהַא שְּלָמָא רַבָּא מִן־שְׁמֵיָא וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל־בָּל־יִים יִשְּׂרָאַל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמַן:

עשָּה שָּלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמִיו הוּא יַעֲשָּה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל־כָּל־ יִשְּרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמַן:

Mourners:

Yit-gadal v'yit-kadash sh'mey raba, B'alma di v'ra <u>h</u>irutey, v'yam-li<u>h</u> mal-<u>h</u>utey B'<u>h</u>a-yey-<u>h</u>on uv-yomey-<u>h</u>on uv-<u>h</u>a-yey d'<u>h</u>ol beyt yisrael Ba-agala u-vizman kariv, v'imru Amen.

All:

Y'hey sh'mey raba m'varah l'alam ul-almey alma-ya.

Mourners:

Yit-barah v'yish-tabah v'yit-pa-ar v'yit-romam v'yit-na-sey V'yit-hadar v'yit-aleh v'yit-halal sh'mey d'kud-sha, B'rih hu, l'eyla ul-eyla mi-kol bir-hata v'shi-rata Tush-b'hata v'ne-hemata da-amiran b'alma, v'imru Amen.. Y'hey sh'lama raba min sh'ma-ya Vha-yim aleynu v'al kol yisrael, v'imru Amen.. Oseh shalom bi-m'romav, hu ya-aseh shalom Aleynu v'al kol yisrael, v'imru Amen.

Mourners:

Magnified and sanctified be God's great name in the world which He has created according to His will. May He establish His kingdom soon, in our lifetime.

Let us say: Amen.

All:

May his great name be praised to all eternity.

Mourners:

Hallowed and honored, extolled and exalted, adored and acclaimed be the name of the Holy One, though He is above all the praises, hymns, and songs of adoration which human beings can utter. Let us say: Amen.

May God grant abundant peace and life to us and to all Israel. Let us say: Amen.

May He who ordains harmony in the universe grant peace to us and to all Israel.

Let us say: Amen.

Yizkor Reflections

May the memories of our loved ones inspire us To seek in our lives those qualities of mind and heart

Which we recall with special gratitude.

May we help to bring closer to fulfillment Their highest ideals and noblest strivings.

May the memories of our loved ones deepen our loyalty
To that which cannot die—
Our faith, our love, and devotion to our heritage.

As we ponder life's transience and frailty, Help us, O God, to use each precious moment wisely.

To fill each day with all the compassion and kindness

Which You have placed within our reach.

Thus will the memories of our loved ones abide among us As a source of undying inspiration and enduring blessing.

The Gift of Memory

We thank you, O God of life and love,
For the resurrecting gift of memory
Which endows Your children, fashioned in
Your image,
With the Godlike sovereign power
To give immortality through love.
Praised be You, O God,
Who enables Your children to remember.
—Morris Adler

Esa Einai

Esa einai el heharim, meayin yavo ezri ezri me'im Adonai oseh shamayim va'aretz.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the mountains: From where shall my help come? My help comes from God, Who made heaven and earth.

Eli, Eli

Eli, Eli She lo yigamer leolam Hakhol ve hayam Rishrush shel hamayim Berak hashamayim Tfilat ha'adam.

O Lord, my God,
I pray that these things never end;
The sand and the sea,
The rush of the waters,
The crash of the heavens,
The prayer of the heart.
— Hannah Senesh

Observing Yizkor

During the coming year, we will observe and have a service for Yizkor on these dates:

During Sukkot, on Saturday, October 3, 2020:

Shabbat service begins at 10 a.m.; Torah service at 10:45 a.m.; Yizkor at 11:30 a.m.

During Pesach, on Saturday, April 3, 2021:

Shabbat service begins at 10 a.m.; Torah service at 10:45 a.m.; Yizkor at 11:30 a.m.

During Shavuot, on Saturday, May 15, 2021:

Shabbat service begins at 10 a.m.; Torah service at 10:45 a.m.; Yizkor at 11:30 a.m.

Please come to remember and to help make a minyan, so others may be supported in their memories.

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