

Our Condolences

May 2010

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **David Halem**, brother of fellow member **Ed Halem**.



May God comfort Ed and his family during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

February 2011

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of longtime member **Wolf**

Schlesinger and **Charles Altman**, father of longtime member **Carol Koransky**.



May God comfort **Jo** and the **Schlesinger** family and the **Koransky** family during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

June 2010

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of:

Jay Goldfarb, son of **Ann and Izzy Goldfarb**, and brother of **Paula Loomis**



Jason Turitz, son of **Bert and Mike Turitz**, nephew of **Irene and Steve Klenetsky**, and grandson of **Gert Colten**

Vivian Hoffman, sister of **Paullette Pistol** and aunt of **Jordan Pistol**

May God comfort these families during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

March 2011

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Anne Helen Sitzer**, aunt of new member, **Lorraine Simansky**.



May God comfort **Lorraine and Dan** and the **Simansky** family during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences September 2010

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Naomi Teichman**, mother of fellow member **Howard Teichman**.



May God comfort **Howard, Roberta**, and their family during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences September 2011

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of longtime member **Morris Nimovitz** August 16.



May God comfort the **Nimovitz** family during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences October 2010

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of longtime member **Sybil Strassner**.



May God comfort **Ozzie** and his family during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences October 2011

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Joey Jannol**, grandson of **Rose Chaplan**, and **Albert Freiman**, brother of **Gladys Sturman**, who died in Chicago at 91 after a productive life.



May God comfort the **Chaplan and Sturman** families during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

February 2012

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Charlotte Mintz**, longtime member of Congregations Beth Ami and Shir Ami.



May God comfort the Mintz family and members **Fran Friedman** and **Becky and Gary Finlay**, who lived with Charlotte and have been like family for many years, during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

June 2012

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: member **Marshall Gordon**, **Meryl Moore**, daughter of member **Lynn Cherney**, and **Morris Hattem**, father of member **Neil Hattem**, and **Gary Gordon**, nephew of member **Madeline Cooperman**



May God comfort Marshall's wife, **Jacquie**, Lynn, Neil, and Madeline and their families during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

March 2012

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Ruth Siebler**, mother of longtime member **Alan Siebler**.



May God comfort Alan and his family during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

September 2012

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: former members **Sheva Levinsky** and **Jo Schessler** and **Alice Tydings**, mother-in-law of member **David Tydings**



May God comfort their families during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

April 2012

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Jacob Meyer Paparo**, brother of longtime member **Esther Perez**, and **Mort Daniels**, former member and husband of **Russ Daniels**.



May God comfort Esther and Russ and their families during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

August 2013

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Gert Colten**, mother of **Roberta Turitz** and **Irene Klenetzky**.



May God comfort Roberta and Irene and their family during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

May 2012

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Jon Turitz**, brother of longtime member **Mike Turitz**.



May God comfort Mike and Roberta and their family during this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

September 2013

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: members **Larry Weinstein** and **Norman Bressick**.



May God comfort **Gloria Weinstein** and her family and the **Bressick family** during this time of their bereavement. See Gloria's letter on page 9.

We were also informed of the passing of former member **Keith Baker**. May God also comfort his partner, **Rhoda Blecker**, during this time of her bereavement.

Our Condolences

January 2014

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Richard Goldstein**, son of member **Thelma Goldstein**, and **Lois Sipos**, mother of former member **Neil Sipos** and grandmother of **Zachary, Daniel, Jacob, Noah and Joseph**.

May God comfort Thelma and her family and the Sipos family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

August 2014

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Harold Kovar**, father of member **Jerry Kovar**; **Janice Schneier**, daughter of members **Fay and Ed Schneier**; and former Temple Beth Ami member **Whitey Kutcher**.

May God comfort the Kovar, Schneier, and Kutcher families at this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

March 2014

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Ted Lipschultz** and **Gert Klorman**, longtime member of Temple Beth Ami. May God comfort **Bernice** and her family and the Klorman family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

October 2014

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Ara Easley**, daughter of members **Joan and Mike Easley**.

May God comfort the Easley family at this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

April 2014

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: member **Lillian Lichtman** and **Lillian Scharf**, mother of longtime member **Lonny Scharf**. May God comfort **Gabriel Lichtman** and his family and **Lonny and Nancy** and their family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

April 2015

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Harry Schackman**, father of member **Ed Schackman**. May God comfort **Ed** and **Roz** and their family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

June-July 2014

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: former Temple Beth Ami member **Sol Kaplon** and **Brandon Gribin**, grandson of members **Clara and Stan Rosenbluth**.

May God comfort Sol's daughter and son-in-law, **Michelle and Victor Levin**, and Brandon's wife, **Miriam**, and Clara and Stan and their families at this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

June-July 2015

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Aarion Verity**, sister of member **Lew Silverman**.

May God comfort the Verity and Silverman families at this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences August-September 2015

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Myrna Gold**, sister of member **Fran Feinman**, and **Albert Kaufman**, brother of member **Phyllis Feldman-Schroeder**.



May God comfort the Gold/Feinman and Schroeder families at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

March 2017

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Laurie Orens**.



May God comfort Laurie's husband **Ed** and his family at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

February 2016

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Lee Stark**.



May God comfort his wife **Mariana** and the Stark family at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

April 2017

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passings of: longtime member **Betty Cohen** and **Blanche Kaplan**, mother of **Nancy Bereny**.



May God comfort Betty's husband **Harvey** and their daughter **Sherry Dollins** and their families and the **Bereny family** at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

March 2016

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Shayne Black**, daughter of longtime member **Frances Black**.



May God comfort Fran and her family at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

May 2017

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Bernice Lipschultz**.



May God comfort Bernice's daughters **Rena Perez** and **Bonnie Goldman** and their families at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

April 2016

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Phil Cramer** and Beth Ami member **Ruth Schultz**.



May God comfort **Carol Cramer** and **Sam Schultz** and their families at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences August-September 2017

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Joey Segal**, dear friend of member **Ellen Fremed**.



May God comfort Joey's mother **Lea Schwartz** and **Ellen** and their families at this time of their bereavement.

Ellen and Lea and the entire Shir Ami family also wish to express our appreciation to **Lonny Scharf** and **Rabbi David Vorspan** for conducting the shiva minyans at Lea's home following the funeral.

Our Condolences

November 2016

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Shirley Esko** and former member **Barbara Tober**.



May God comfort Shirley's daughter **Rona Komins** and Barbara's husband **Neal** and their families at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

October 2017

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passings of **Edith Niesen**, mother of **Cheryl Niesen**, **Barbara Burman**, mother of **Alan Burman**, and **Louis "Ruggy" Miller**, brother of **Fran Friedman**,



May God comfort **Cheryl** and **William Niesen**, **Alan** and **Robin Burman**, and **Fran Friedman** and their families at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

November 2017

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: former members **Michael Turitz**, **Ron Katz**, **Marilyn Feltman**, and **Rose Chaplain**.



May God comfort their families, including **Paula** and **Paul Frankel** (Ron Katz was their uncle) at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

June 2018

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Patricia Williams**, stepmother of our Secretary **Karen Benson**.



May God comfort Karen and her family at this time of their bereavement.

Our Condolences

September 2018

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Cantor Roger Goodman** and **Yisrael Hochberg**, brother of member **Sam Hochberg**.



May God comfort **Melody Goodman**, Roger's wife, and her family and **Sam** at this time of their bereavement. See my Editor's Note and poem in

Editor's Note: In my role as our Ritual Vice President I worked with Cantor Goodman for many years to create the inspirational High Holy Day services at which we were blessed to enjoy his liturgical renditions. And he wrote a column for our *Shir Notes* High Holy Day issue.

Roger and I were both software engineers in the aerospace industry during our professional careers. Below is a poem I shared at his last shiva service.
Stan Schroeder

LIFE AFTER LIFE

We're all companions on this path called life;
Each encountering difficulties, misery, strife.
Along the way we must suffer a loved one's death,
For at some point we all draw that one last breath.

We all seek the same simple answers -
Is life only a succession of cancers?
Are events probabilistically random?
Or do certain phenomena occur in tandem?

Do all human beings have immortal souls?
Should eternity in heaven be one of our goals?
Is our universe a part of some divine plan
Created for the pleasure of a species called man?

Is it ashes to ashes and dust to dust?
Are there holy writings we really can trust?
We can study in depth what's known as history
Without a clue to solving the real mystery.

Perhaps we can capture this moment in time;
Gaze through the curtain for insight sublime.
See our loved one's life as a perfect reflection,
Giving Light to our path's current direction.

Perhaps we can truly recapture the spark;
Make a difference to others more in the dark.
Use the life left to us, the most precious gift,
To give those less fortunate a personal lift.

Roger Goodman inspired us at Shir Ami
With his passionate rendering of liturgy.
Notes from our Cantor for the High Holy Days,
How his family inspired him in many ways.

He taught us insight into words of our prayer –
We could appreciate and become more aware.
Though we no longer hear his cantorial voice,
His passion for Judaism is a very wise choice.

Stan Schroeder

Our Condolences

October 2018

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Isadore**

Perlmutter and **Herb Frankel**, father of member **Paul Frankel**.

May God comfort **Marian Perlmutter**, Isadore's wife, and her family and **Paul and Paula Frankel** at this



Our Condolences

October 2019

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Dr. Edward Kazel**, former husband of **Charlene Kazel**.

May God comfort **Charlene**, daughters **Debbie Sipos** and **Jodi Halem**, and their families at this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

December 2018

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Nettie Solomon**, mother of

Barbara Hattem. May God comfort the Hattem family at this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences February 2020

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Frank Locascio** and **Doris Kates**, stepmother of member **Leon Nachenberg**.

May God comfort the Locascio family and Leon and



Our Condolences

January 2019

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime members **Ed Halem**

and **Ozzie Strassner**. May God comfort the Halem/Frankel and Strassner families at this time of



Our Condolences

March 2019

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of:

Marilyn Kaufman, sister of member **Stan Goodman**. May God comfort Stan and **Fiona Taylor** and Stan's family at this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

July-August 2019

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: longtime member **Phyllis Robinson**.

May God comfort the **Ron and Lee Robinson** and **Shayne and Joel Marine** families at this time



From Mark Perez:

April 2020

Ann Kutcher, a long-standing Temple Beth Ami member passed away of natural causes in March. She was 100, having celebrated her birthday in February. Ann was active with sisterhood, youth, and religious activities. **Whitey**, Ann's husband of blessed memory, was also active and a Board member.

Ann is survived by her three children **Steve**, **Sara**, and **Billy**, along with multiple grandchildren and great-grandchildren. May her name



Our Condolences

July-August 2020

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of:

Ronald Kroop, brother of member **Rae Wazana**. May God comfort **Rae** and **Armand** and their family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

December 2020

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: members **Ann and Seymour Potell** and our **Sunshine Lady Fran Friedman**. May God comfort **Larry Potell** and **Becky and Gary Finlay** and their families during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

November 2021

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing in September of our former member **Elaine Selznick**. May God comfort Elaine's family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

January 2021

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: our Membership Vice President **Ellen Fremed**. May God comfort her son **Jay** and his family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

April 2022

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Deborah Mewnorne**, daughter daughter of member **Jerry Gort**. May God comfort **Jerry** and his family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

February 2021

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: our member **Harvey Tapper** and **Aleksander Chasen Halem**, grandson of member **Charlene Kazel**. May God comfort Harvey's wife **Linda** and Charlene and their families during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

October 2022

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: our member **Clara Rosenbluth**, wife of member **Stan Rosenbluth**. May God comfort Stan and his family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

March 2021

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: our member **Fay Schneier**, **Manfred** and **Herbert [Twinn] Liverant**, brothers of member **Helga Unkeless**, and **Lee Grubman**, son of member **Barbara Grubman**. May God comfort Fay's husband **Ed** and Helga and Barbara and their families during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

March 2023

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Patrick Elm**, brother of member **Sue Lipman**. May God comfort **Sue and David** and her family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

April 2021

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: our former member **Izzy Goldfarb**, father of member **Paula Loomis**. May God comfort **Paula and Lou** and their family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

May 2023

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: member **Barbara Grubman**. May God comfort her son **Matt** and his family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

July-August 2023

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: our Social Action Committee Vice President **Fran Kobulnick**, wife of member **Sam Kobulnick**. She has been a leader of our community outreach and "Tikkun Olam" effort for many years. May God comfort **Sam** and his family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

February 2025

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of our member **Jerry Gort**. May God comfort Jerry's family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

April 2025

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of our member **Lew Silverman**. May God comfort his wife **Claire** and her family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

May 2025

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: our member **King Finlay**, father of member **Gary Finlay**. May God comfort **Gary** and **Becky** during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

December 2025

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of our member **Jacquie Gordon** October 7. May God comfort her son **Aaron Gordon** and his family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

January 2026

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Jerry Flanagan**, father of **Karen Benson**, and congregational member **Jay Cohen**. May God comfort **Karen** and **Gale Cohen** and their families during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

February 2026

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of our member **Ethel Granik**. May God comfort Ethel's daughters **Rhoda Granik** and **Marsha Granik** and their families during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

November 2023

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: our Founding President **Harvey Cohen**. May God comfort son-in-law **Lee Dollins**, son **Steve Cohen** and family, grandson **Eric Dollins** and his wife **Jenn** and their daughter **Olivia** and son **Jack**, and grandson **Jeffrey Dollins** during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

April 2024

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: member **Paullette Pistol**, mother of our President **Jordan Pistol**. May God comfort **Jordan** and his family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

November 2024

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Maralyn Soifer**. May God comfort her husband **Paul Soifer** and family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

January 2025

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of: **Maxim Wazana**, brother of **Armand Wazana**. May God comfort **Armand** and his family during this time of their bereavement.



Our Condolences

June 2026

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of **Janet Acquaro**, sister of member **Stan Schroeder**. May God comfort Stan and his family during this



Our Condolences

June/July 2026

We regret to inform the congregational family of the passing of member **Sima Schuster**. May God comfort her daughters **Maita** and **Sarah**



May Their Memories be a Blessing

by Stan Schroeder

When my daughter died in 1994 I wrote a poem **Life After Life** five verses that expressed my feelings on life and death. Since that time I have used it at many funerals, family and Shir Ami friends. On each occasion I added two verses personalized for each deceased. On the 5th page of this document I included the poem for our **Cantor Roger Goodman z"l**. In the right hand column I include selected members.

We're all companions on this path called life;
Each encountering difficulties, misery, strife.
Along the way we must suffer a loved one's death,
For at some point we all draw that one last breath.

We all seek the same simple answers -
Is life only a succession of cancers?
Are events probabilistically random?
Or do certain phenomena occur in tandem?

Do all human beings have immortal souls?
Should eternity in heaven be one of our goals?
Is our universe a part of some divine plan
Created for the pleasure of a species called man?

Is it ashes to ashes and dust to dust?
Are there holy writings we really can trust?
We can study in depth what's known as history
Without a clue to solving the real mystery.

Perhaps we can capture this moment in time;
Gaze through the curtain for insight sublime.
See our loved one's life as a perfect reflection,
Giving Light to our path's current direction.

Perhaps we can truly recapture the spark;
Make a difference to others more in the dark.
Use the life left to us, the most precious gift,
To give those less fortunate a personal lift.

Lew Silverman was a teacher and coach,
Effort and teamwork were his approach.

Lew and I were born the same year,
Sports and sportsmanship to us were dear.

His family was central in his busy life –
Proud of them all, with **Claire** as his wife.
We at Shir Ami were family, too.
Now, it's up to us to follow through.

Sherry Dollins inspired us at Shir Ami,
Her passionate support of our community.
From raising funds in creative ways,
To arranging programs that added to our days.

As a loving daughter lengthened Harvey's life –
Plus mother, grandmother, and Lee's wife.
We at Shir Ami were family, too
Now, it's up to us to follow through.

Clara Rosenbluth inspired us at Shir Ami,
Her passionate support of our community.
From managing our funds in Conservative ways,
To helping us grow in problematic days.

As a loving matriarch in the Rosenbluths' life –
And being **Stan's Eschet Chayil** wife.
We at Shir Ami were family, too
Now, it's up to us to follow through.

Harvey Cohen was our founding President;
When something was needed, he was resident.
Great grandchildren were the joys of his life
Along with **Betty**, his loving wife.

Harvey did things the old fashioned way;
His accomplishments are here to stay.
I sing his praises here with rhymes;
And: *Or hadash* is repeated only two times!

Congregation Shir Ami was blessed with these many caring and contributing members. May their memories be blessings and may we be the ones