

Fabrangen is a member of the Jewish Funeral Practices Committee of Greater Washington, which contracts with Hines-Rinaldi Funeral Home (Silver Spring - [301 622-2290](tel:3016222290)) and Cunningham Turch Funeral Home (Alexandria - [703-549-1800](tel:7035491800)) to provide traditional Jewish funerals at a fixed, affordable cost. The contracts can be viewed at <http://tinyurl.com/qzh2tz3>

A privilege of Fabrangen membership is the opportunity for members and their immediate families to purchase cemetery plots within the Fabrangen area at Garden of Remembrance/Gan Zicharon. For more information on participating as a member of Fabrangen, please contact Bracha Laster at [bracha.laster@gmail.com](mailto:bracha.laster@gmail.com)



7750 16th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20012  
Phone: (202) 595-9138  
Email: [fabrangen@yahoo.com](mailto:fabrangen@yahoo.com)  
Website: [www.fabrangen.org](http://www.fabrangen.org)



## Yizkor Memorial Booklet

Yom Kippur 2015/5776



*In honor of loved family and  
friends who died within the  
past year*

*In Memory of . . .*

---

**Steven A. Asher**

*April 27, 2015*

Main line resident, named Super Lawyer for plaintiff side of class action lawsuits, with his love of Jewish scholarship and ritual. Steve adored my sister, "Louie" Elfant Asher and was a doting father to Simma, Aviva, Jacob and "Rena-cub." Thrilled with two new granddaughters. Loved Schuylkill River rowing with Louie, and taken too soon at 66.

*Kay Flick Elfant*

**Theodore Bikel**

*July 21, 2015*

Vienna-born actor, folksinger in 22 languages, longtime activist for civil rights, Actors Equity, AJCongress, Soviet Jewry and Israeli peace. Theo was our model for merging the arts, human rights and Yiddishkeit through his age 91. Among so much, his worldwide Captain vonTrapp and Tevye gifts are remembered as we hum "bless my homeland forever."

*Kay Flick Elfant , loving fellow activist*

Actor: Musicals, movies, TV [Star Trek], folksinger, co-founder of Newport Folk Festival, and an advocate of peace, the Jewish people, and people everywhere.

*Anonymous*

**Howard E Braun**

*February 23, 2015*

Howard Braun, my father, was born in Transylvania. His Navy ship saw action in the battle of the Philippine Sea. He worked as a nuclear engineer for GE and then Westinghouse and was the inventor of record on patents. He was the first president of Dor Hadash Congregation of Pittsburgh.

*Steven Braun*

*In Memory of . . .*

---

**Sara Dee Tepfer**

*November 10, 2014*

[1948 Brooklyn – Durham, NC 2014] A proud Mother, a joyous Grandmother, a patient sister, a devoted friend, a world traveler, devoted spouse, a role model, a damn good geriatric social worker, and a mentor. I deeply miss Sara and keep wanting to phone her.

*Diane Tepfer*

**Rabbi Harold White**

*August 31, 2015*

Rabbi at Georgetown University for almost 50 years. When he officiated at Geoff and my (interfaith) wedding in 1989, he was the only rabbi in the DC area who would do so. His loving openness to a positive outcome for an interfaith marriage was very helpful to us.

*Judy Galat and Geoff Thale*

Harold was the Jewish Chaplain at Georgetown University. In our early years he was an ally and a source of inspiration for many in Fabrangen. A legacy of social activism and learning. He taught at the Jewish Study Center, officiated at Pat and Martin's wedding and befriended many. I can't remember meeting him without leaving a happier person.

*Norman Shore*

*In Memory of . . .*

---

**Miriam Ritzfield**

*October 2014*

My aunt died at age 95 from complications of a broken hip. Head bookkeeper at Tetraethyl Lead, nationally recognized with her husband Harold as a cactus and succulent expert. She was always hard on me, but I loved her anyway.

*Allen Hirsh*

**William Daniel Rosenbluth**

*July 16, 2015*

Complications from a staph infection picked up while camping killed Danny, aged 45. A fun-loving ringleader for his family and friends ... and a good guy, he leaves to create new paths without him: daughters Lucy (10) & Natalie (8); his wife Monica; my cousins Bob and Linda; and Danny's brother, Nathan.

*John Laster*

**Neil Stern**

*May 9, 2015*

My brother Neil was a sweetheart. Full of life, he loved swimming, outer space, his wife, children and grandchildren. After he died at age 67, I heard many stories of his acts of kindness and generosity to new family members, friends, and acquaintances. I miss his hugs, his love, warmth, and wisdom. I wish him peace.

*Joann Stern*

*In Memory of . . .*

---

**David Brooks**

*April 19 2015*

My father David Brooks, a man of deep learning and impeccable integrity, served the Jewish community throughout his 96 years, in partnership with his beloved wife Harriet. As senior partner in an accounting firm, he helped all who needed it, including his and Harriet's extended family, and supported his children, their spouses and his eight grandchildren.

*Renana Brooks*

**Dr. Steven Dentel**

*February 18, 2015*

Steve was my best friend for over 50 years. He was a brilliant and caring environmental engineer and professor, funny and quirky as could be. He cared deeply for his family, friends, students, and was an effective practical activist for equality, fairness, and opportunity for all people. Shalom chaver.

*Lloyd Wolf*

**Suzin Glickman Bobek**

*January 31, 2015*

Sometimes it takes a funeral to know just how many people one person has touched, but not with Suzin! She was the ultimate connector, teacher and cheerleader...pulling people, programs and ideas together so fast and so often that keeping up was challenging. Always with her brilliant smile and open heart. She cared, and everyone who knew her felt her caring deeply.

*Susan Barocas*

## *In Memory of . . .*

---

### **John Fischer**

*May 15, 2015*

My father was a generous man, deeply ethical, and a wonderful raconteur. He was a Swiftian and a professor of English at LSU for over 35 years, where he served as chair and director of graduate studies. When you were with him, you felt heard. He was deeply loved by many, and Michael and I miss him greatly.

*Hannah Fischer*

### **Walter Viktor Kron**

*June 19, 2015*

[1922 Fritzlar, Germany – 2015 Lansing, MI] From a Kindertransportish journey to the US to a post WWII “Ritchie Boy” to Assistant Attorney General for Michigan. Walt and Ann raised Lisa and David while working to build Lansing's West Side into a healthy, racially integrated neighborhood. Walt was a wise and compassionate friend.

*Diane Tepfer*

### **Jay Houston Marx**

*July 19, 2015*

Activist, artist, poet, historian, and peaceful revolutionary, Jay's unwavering commitment to peace advocacy was an inspiration to activists around the world. Jay leavened his passion for causes that mattered to him with irrepressible warmth, unfailing good humor, and a sweet caring nature.

*Zahara Heckscher*

### **Bonnie Milstein**

*February 20, 2015*

An exceptional civil rights lawyer who expanded rights for people with disabilities, and was equally devoted to family and friends. She interviewed me when I was in law school, and we had a warm reunion at Yom Kippur services in 2012.

*Rhonda Weiss*

## *In Memory of . . .*

---

### **Charnice Milton**

*May 27, 2015*

*DC native overcame serious obstacles to become a journalist, choosing to focus locally for Hill Rag/East of the River papers. Shot at bus stop, one of far too many lost to guns. Age 27. Fellow colleague wrote: "The bullet that silenced Charnice not only ended the life of an innocent, it deprived [our communities] of a dedicated chronicler."* Missed.

*Virginia Spatz*

### **Lawrence M. Reuben**

*September 11, 2015*

Too soon yet to make sense of my younger brother Larry's death days ago, age 67, to see him clearly as he was and should be remembered. Something of a good-old-boy in an Indiana-centered life, he both supported and significantly challenged his community with legal/political work, philanthropy and local service. And that's just the public story...

*Elaine Reuben*

### **Ronald Reuben, MD**

*August 31, 2015*

Youngest, last surviving of my father's 2 brothers/3 sisters, Uncle Ron's death at 98 marks the end of a generation and cuts a link to its history. A respected pediatric allergist, longest serving Emeritus MD at UCLA Cedars-Sinai, I'll remember most his sweet warmth and humility -- even if others nearby were not always demonstrating such qualities.

*Elaine Reuben*