



DR. LARY BERKOWER

September 10, 1937 - December 4, 2020

PRIVATE FAMILY GRAVESIDE SERVICE: 1:00 pm SUNDAY 12/6/2020 at BETH ABRAHAM CEMETERY

Age 83, of Oak Park, died December 4, 2020

Beloved husband to Janice Berkower.

Devoted father of Dr. David (Chava) Berkower, Sarah (Dr. Martin) Kornblum and Tammi (Dr. Larry) Adler.

Loving grandfather of Jacob, Joshua, Joseph, Jonathan Kornblum, Elanit, Isaac, Atara and Ayelet Berkower, Allison, Michael and Zachary Adler.

Cherished brother of Linda (Late Dr. Richard) Merkle

OFFICIATING

Rabbi S. Katz

INTERMENT

Beth Abraham Cemetery

SHIVA

The family will observe Shiva through Friday at noon

The family will gather each day in the backyard of Sarah and Dr. Martin Kornblum

17538 East Goldwin

Southfield, Michigan 48075

They will gather each day from

10:00 am to noon and then from 3:00 pm to 4:45 pm

Depending on the weather

TO contact specific family members:

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Contributions

If you would like to further honor the memory of

DR. LARY BERKOWER

you may do so by making a contribution to

FARBER HEBREW DAY SCHOOL

or

CONGREGATION SHOMREI EMUNAH

or

YOUNG ISRAEL OF OAK PARK

or

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or

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Comments



“ We miss you Grandpa! We truly lost a great man, an Air Force Veteran who delivered 29 babies as a psychiatrist. I know you never liked the "dot com business"; however, I feel it's important to use the internet to remember you by even if you didn't understand what it was capable of or how it worked. I believe you passing on shabbat, your favorite day of the week, was proof of your bond with hashem above and that your praying 3 times a day every day paid off. A god truly exists in the world, at least to me. It makes me want to be a more religious person. You never liked dogs but even the dogs showed up to your funeral to pay their respects to Dr. Berkower. I felt the dogs barking at your funeral was a symbol of you as a psychiatrist helping others even if they were severely mentally ill and were tough to get along with, you still made an effort to relate to them and help them. We all deal with grief in different ways. I choose to remember your life and celebrate your accomplishments. I still remember your quote about me being fortunate to have grown up with not 1 but 2 grandfathers whereas you never knew your grandfathers. It has really resonated with me over the years. I am glad for you, however, that you are reunited with your parents above as respecting one's parents was your second biggest mitzvah besides shabbat. I never knew your parents but from the stories I know you missed them a lot so I'm glad for you in a way that you're reunited with them up there even though we will miss you down here. I hated baseball but it was not just tolerable but enjoyable to watch baseball with you. I am fortunate to have positive memories of you before the NPH slowly sucked your life away and I pray they remain with me forever. At the end of the day we lost a great one. You will be missed very much.

Jacob Kornblum - December 09, 2020 at 05:09 PM



“ Dr. Berkower was one of my late father's, Z"L, closest friends since high school. They went to high school, college, medical school, and the Army during the start of the Vietnam War, together. They were both drafted right out of medical school and were on the plane together to Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, TX. There were so many Jews on that plane, my dad said they had enough for a minyan and probably enough for several minyanim.

When my father was dying of cancer, Dr. Berkower came to our house to console my father and got him a gift of a book. My dad was so overcome by this showing of friendship that tears welled up in his eyes. He said Dr. Berkower was a cherished friend. Our families lived near each other and had many get togethers over the years.

Dr. Berkower was a lifelong supporter of the arts, symphonic music, and other high culture that made America great. He was kind, generous, brilliant, and a loving husband, father, and family man, as well as proud Jew and patriotic American. He was a tremendous supporter of our community and of Israel. He will definitely be missed. Zichrono Livrachah

Debbie Schlussek - December 09, 2020 at 12:43 PM



“ We will always cherish the close relationship between the Klausners and the Berkowers. With dry wit, a kind heart and a beautiful smile, Dr. Berkower will live on in our memories. May his neshama have an aliyah and may he be at rest.
Margery and Howard Klausner

Margery Klausner - December 08, 2020 at 10:26 AM



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Hebrew Memorial - December 07, 2020 at 09:56 AM



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“ It was a beautiful service. We will miss Larry and all the wonderful times we shared with him and Janice.

Phyllis - December 20, 2020 at 04:00 PM



“ Finale Abbandono, Larry..We'll remember how you added so much to so many DSO concerts we enjoyed with you and the Klausners, A"H. Your great knowledge and appreciation of beautiful music are truly a beautiful legacy.

May Janice and all your family take comfort in their special memories.

From Toby and Bill Albert

Toby Albert - December 06, 2020 at 04:22 PM



“ Pushing The Dov across the parking lot most Shabbosim for over half a year was a true gift.

He showed me a new view on the desire for shul. He was so excited to see either myself or Steve Mavashev when we would pick him up.

His devotion to tefillah was so powerful. He would stand on Rosh Hashanah for the Amida even though it wasn't recommended.

He will be sorely missed.

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Dovid Roetter - December 06, 2020 at 09:48 AM



“ We were very surprised of learning of Larry's passing. Our sincere condolences to Cousin Janice and family. Marsha and Jerry Moss

Jerry and Marsha Moss - December 20, 2020 at 12:24 PM