



## **ANNETTE FINGERROOT**

July 30, 1928 - October 9, 2022

FAMILY GRAVESIDE SERVICE: 11:00 AM WEDNESDAY 10/12/2022 at  
HEBREW MEMORIAL PARK.

INTERMENT: Hebrew Memorial Park Cemetery

OFFICIATOR: Rabbi Marla Hornsten

Annette Fingerroot was a remarkable woman who lived her 94 years to the fullest. Since her parents had passed away at very young ages (59 and 62), she often expressed her own amazement and gratitude that she and her five younger siblings were all alive and had all well surpassed their parents lifespan.

Then, on the morning of Sunday, October 9, Annette succumbed to COVID, followed less than 24 hours later by the death of her sister, Clara, also due to COVID.

During the many beautiful years she was granted, Annette was never happier than when she was surrounded by family and friends. Until the very recent past, she was always up for a party - especially if it was a simcha involving her siblings, children, grandchildren or great grandchildren. She danced the hora at every opportunity - even when substantial help was required, and

even when she could barely walk on her own. Annette never lost her sense of connection, community or her desire to be present with her tribe.

She lived on her own, until age 84. Then, her children had to coerce her into moving to Hechtman before she could no longer handle the rickety stairs leading to her condo. Her conviction that this move would take away her independence lasted until she opened the front door of the Hechtman building. Before she reached her own apartment, she met people she knew from high school, from B'nai Brith, from the Tennis Club and from Congregation Beth Shalom Hebrew School carpools. She remarked that it was like living in a college dorm - an opportunity she had never experienced. For her 10 years there, she was always upbeat, even through the isolation of the pandemic.

When it came to the Jewish holidays, Annette wanted to be with the "gantze mishpocha." So, first at her own home, then later at her children's homes - or a clubhouse when the group exceeded 35 - everyone was included. Annette's favorite holiday tradition was providing a challah and 7-layer cake for each family that came to the Rosh Hashana dinners. She and Diamond Bakery had a great relationship.

The loves of her life were her late husband, Ben Fingerroot, her children, nine grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren.

Children: Susan Adler Shanteau (John Shanteau); Judith (Howard) Jacobs; Howard (Honorable Kimm Small) Fingerroot; and Marty, of blessed memory (Laura, of blessed memory) Fingerroot.

Grandchildren:

Carolyn (Allison) Adler, Michelle Twersky, Bryan (Rachel) Fingerroot, Daniel (Samantha) Fingerroot, Natalie Mothorpe, Danielle Jacobs, Jennifer Jacobs,

Nicole Churchill, Bradley (fiancee Nicole Hager) Fingeroot.

Great Grandchildren:

Dylan, Lyla, Olivia and Christopher Fingeroot, Beckett Mothorpe, Chase Twersky and Ilana Adler.

Annette's beloved Siblings are:

Ruth (the late William) Wizner

Evelyn (the late Larry) Peisner

Ted (Rhoda) Kahn

Marlene (Ron) Rosen

and Clara Glassman, of blessed memory.

Annette's parents were Israel and Pearl (Burke) Kahn, of blessed memory.

During her later years, she was helped by caregiver and friend, Donna Johnson.

She had many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

For those who would like to honor her memory with a charitable donation, please support:

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[Finance.support@FIDF.org](mailto:Finance.support@FIDF.org)

or

Jewish Senior Life :

[JSLMI.org](http://JSLMI.org)

or

the charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Hebrew Memorial Park Cemetery

33230 Gratiot  
Clinton Township, MI 48035

# Previous Events

## GRAVESIDE FUNERAL SERVICE

OCT 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Clinton Township, MI 48035

*Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87184692164?pwd=V3FjNlplTyswTE81QVI3QUJ3dUZCUT09>  
Meeting ID: 871 8469 2164 Passcode: 406923 One tap mobile +13092053325,,87184692164#,,,,\*406923# US  
+13126266799,,87184692164#,,,,\*406923# US (Chicago)*

# Tribute Wall

BR

“ Dear Fingerroot Family (& Susan Adler) Ellen and I want to express our sympathies and condolences for your loss. Please know you are in our thoughts. Bruce & Ellen Beresh

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**bruce** - October 17, 2022 at 11:55 AM

AN

“ Annette was a wonderful person who enjoyed our Monday Book Club..she will be missed...

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**AnnaHimmelhoch** - October 12, 2022 at 01:15 PM

VF

“ Annette was so special. Always warm and welcoming. Family was everything. My condolences to the entire family. Vicky Fingerroot

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**Vicky Fingerroot** - October 12, 2022 at 10:15 AM

NS

“ This was my Aunt Annette who I remember as a very caring and loving person.

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**Nancy Soler** - October 10, 2022 at 01:36 PM

MA

*This truly is the end of an Era. She was a classy lady with a huge heart. I don't remember a time being at the house that I didn't get fed - from a snack to lunch or dinner, never a hesitation! I remember her soft voice! I remember her house, not being a house but a second home! I remember how my Mom felt about Annette and I remember how excited my parents were when we moved to Oak Park and being only 3 or 4 blocks away from the Fingerroot's. The 60's, 70's and beyond in Oak Park were made better that Annette was in our lives. But the back story is how long our parents were friends...a friendship that spanned years before Oak Park and for that I am grateful for...she will be missed!!!*

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**Marty Abrin** - October 10, 2022 at 06:19 PM

MS

*I will always be grateful to Annette for her kindness towards my mother Marilyn Mazell. After Marilyn got sick, her friends stopped visiting. But, Annette never stopped coming over. I remember her as a kind kind woman. May she Rest In Peace.*

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**Margo Stocker** - October 10, 2022 at 10:42 PM

SS

*Annette was my mothers aunt and sister of my grandmother. Although I wasn't fortunate enough to live near our Michigan family, I have heard many stories about Annette. Sending my love to all.*

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**Sherri Selter** - October 11, 2022 at 05:06 PM

CN

*Annette was my older cousin who I looked up to and learned from my entire life. She babysat me and my siblings when we were children, influenced me as a teenager, especially after I lost my father, and was a friend to me in my older years. Although I lived far away (California), I saw Annette every time I visited the Detroit area. I am so happy I saw her at my last visit, earlier this year. My heart goes out to Susan, Judy and Howard and all her grandchildren. She was a very special person and will be greatly missed. Rest well Annette; your memory will always be a blessing.*

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**Carole Norris** - October 11, 2022 at 08:39 PM

JB

*The world seems less bright without Annette's presence in it. But her quiet strength, the warmth of her personality, her love of family, and her genuine friendship lives on in my memory. My condolences to her wonderful family.*

*Judy Bobrow - November 13, 2022*

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**Judy Bobrow** - November 13, 2022 at 05:27 PM