



DR. PHILLIP RAZNIK

March 16, 1926 - June 8, 2023

SERVICES: Will be held at Oppenheim Chapel at Machpelah Cemetery, Sunday June 11, 2023, at 10:30 A.M.

To watch the recording of the service, please click on the 'Tribute Wall' tab.

PHILLIP RAZNIK, OD, age 97, of West Bloomfield; died of June 8, 2023.

Dr. Raznik was among the founders of optometric low vision services in Michigan. He was a founder and early chair of the Michigan Optometric Association, Low Vision Committee. After he proudly served in the US Army Air Corps, he graduated from Northern Illinois College of Optometry, 1948 on the GI Bill. He provided clinical services from 1950 - 2013, in private practice becoming Low Vision Associates PC by 1974. Dr. Raznik and a group of dedicated colleagues established the non-profit Optometric Institute and Clinic of Detroit in 1967 enhancing access to the new field of vision rehabilitation, focusing on under-served, low income, diverse population for more than 40 years. His multi-disciplinary, collaborative efforts helped to build bridges with Michigan Bureau of Services for Blind Persons, Michigan Rehabilitation Services, several departments of special education and with colleagues in ophthalmology and other medical specialties. His focus was always patient centered. Daughter Susan Gormezano OD carries on his work through Henry Ford Health, Center for Vision Rehabilitation and Research. To this day multi-generational families with special vision conditions ask her about Dr. Raznik's well being and report that his work in their early years was life changing.

He was the devoted husband of 68 years to the late Geraldine Raznik. Father of Susan and Larry Gormezano, Joseph Raznik, Carol Raznik and John McCoon, and Jackie and Ben Shapo. Beloved Grandfather of Miriam and Yoli Silverstein, Karen and Dovid Krupp, Rabbi Zoe McCoon, Emily McCoon, Chloe and Hannah Raznik, Gabi and Adam Lang, Aaron, Joshua, Michaela and Jonathan Shapo. Dearest Great-Grandfather of Aryeh and Alex Silverstein, Yakova and Ariella Yeshurun and Boaz Lang. He was the son of the late Joseph and Fayge Raznik and brother of the late Eva and Hyman Bryman and Mollie and Bernie Gaspar, with many loving nieces and nephews.

A special thanks to the dedicated caregivers and administrators of Fleishman Residence and Jewish Senior Life.

OFFICIATING:

Rabbi Dovid Polter

INTERMENT:

Machpelah Cemetery

SHIVA:

The family will observe Shiva between Sunday through Thursday from 3:00-5:00 P.M. and 6:30-9:00 P.M. with evening services at 7:15 P.M. continuing Friday from 10:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M. at:

Dr. Susan Gormezano residence
6280 Tamerlane
West Bloomfield, MI 48322

CONTRIBUTIONS:

The family suggests that those who wish to further honor the memory of DR. PHILLIP RAZNIK may do so by making a contribution to:

Michigan Foundation for Vision Awareness, MI Optometric Association, 530 E. Ionia St., Suite A., Lansing, MI 48933 www.themoa.org

Jewish Senior Life www.jslmi.org

Hadassah of Greater Detroit www.hadassah.org

The Jewish Fund, 6735 Telegraph Rd., Bloomfield Hills MI 48301 www.thejewishfund.org

Cemetery Details

Machpelah Cemetery

21701 Woodward Avenue
Ferndale, MI 48220

Previous Events

Service

JUN 11. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Shiva

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Tribute Wall

CA

“ Je me nomme RAZNIK Richard je vous présente mes sincères condoléances à sa famille je sais qu'il avait de la famille de la Pologne basonia il est décédé aussi le 2juin 2023 bien cordialement MD RAZNIK

Camilla.raznik@gmail.com - December 06, 2023 at 01:40 AM

ML

“ Uncle Fifi (sp?) dearest uncle of my life-long friend Dianne Gaspas Ettl, fitted my 4 year old daughter with her first pair of glasses--bright green! While we lived in Detroit, he was our go-to guy for optometry. The sweetest, most welcoming and professional doctor. My daughter is now 54 and still wears green glasses. Rest in peace.

Marilynn Stein Langley - June 23, 2023 at 06:53 PM

JL

“ My sincere condolences to the entire family. I knew him when I worked at Meer several years ago. He was such a nice man. May his memory always be for a blessing.

Joely Lyons - June 15, 2023 at 12:33 PM

LG

I am blessed for having worked for Dr. Raznik. I always think of him. I looked at him as my dad. He was such a joy. A very generous man. I truly loved him.

Linda Gonzalez - June 15, 2023 at 02:30 PM

SG

Hi Linda, how thoughtful of you to write this note. We hope you are doing well. I also heard from Josie. You must be very proud of her. We're so glad we were able to work with both of you during those wonderful years. I'm doing fine and still trying to keep everything going at Henry Ford. I'm pleased to send greetings from Beverly and Carolyn. Susan

susan gormezano - June 21, 2023 at 08:05 PM

FC

“ I will always remember your dad's incredible devotion to your mom throughout her illness. His love for her was palpable.

Fran Cook (former Family Life Coordinator, Brown Center at JSL)

Francie Cook - June 12, 2023 at 11:56 PM

SG

Thank you Fran for these kind words. We appreciated you care and concern for our parents. The Raznik Family

susan gomezano - June 21, 2023 at 08:07 PM

MH

“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Dr. Phillip Raznik. He was my optometrist for many years after I was discharged from the Navy and begin working in 1962, His office at that time was located on Woodward Avenue in downtown Detroit, and continued to various other offices in the downtown area. I will always remember his kind personality, warm smile, and the doctor patient relationship we developed over the years.*

Martin Hardy

Martin Hardy - June 11, 2023 at 10:14 PM

SG

Martin thank you for your kind words. This means so much to our whole family. Susan Gomezano OD. Henry Ford Health, Center for Vision Rehabilitation 734.523.1070

Susan Gomezano - June 12, 2023 at 09:27 AM

OT

“ *1 file added to the album Chapel Service*



Otto - June 11, 2023 at 01:15 PM