



## FREDRIC FISHER

July 5, 1942 - June 3, 2022

FUNERAL SERVICE: 10:00 AM TUESDAY 6/7/2022 at HEBREW MEMORIAL CHAPEL

A LINK WILL BE PROVIDED FOR A LIVE WEBCAM OF THE FUNERAL SERVICE.

The following is a reprint from Hospice of Michigan talking about Fredric Fisher:

For thousands of years, humans and dogs have shared a special kind of bond. That bond is very apparent at the bedside of Hospice of Michigan patients, where therapy pets provide emotional support, comfort and care for patients during the final stage of life. The nonprofit is currently looking for companion volunteers with dogs or other pets interested in spending time with patients throughout the Downriver area and beyond.

Grosse Ile resident Fred Fisher and his golden retriever, Bridgette, may be new to hospice visits, but they have nearly a decade of experience supporting those in need. The pair has spent nine years visiting nursing homes, hospitals, schools and other organizations across the state and country. Despite being newcomers to Hospice of Michigan, the pair's impact has been immediately apparent. "Patients suffering from dementia often, sadly, forget

the names of those closest to them in life,” Fred mentioned, “We brought Bridgette into one patient’s room and her presence alone helped him remember the name of his childhood pet.”

Bridgette is a certified service and therapy dog with Therapy Dogs International, where she underwent intense training in busy settings testing her patience and temperament around patients, loud noises and other distractions. She assisted in disaster recovery efforts following the devastation of Hurricane Irma. She has also spent time as a reading education assistance dog (R.E.A.D) with Trenton Public Schools, listening to children read as a way to boost confidence in their literary skills.

As a HOM volunteer, Fred gains satisfaction through helping people. “I do it to give back to the community. Some patients don’t get many visitors, so just being there to provide some companionship can go a long way.” Fred recalls one particular visit that stands out to him: “A patient loved having Bridgette around so much that she tried picking her up – all 90 pounds of her. While we had to stop her before she got hurt, it was a very sweet thing to witness.” Patients also love Bridgette’s tricks, which include rolling over, shaking hands (paws) and even retrieving tissues for them when they sneeze. “The patients love Bridgette, but she certainly loves them back.”

Those interested in volunteering with their pet should contact Alana Knoppow at 248.303.6818 or [aknoppow@HOM.ORG](mailto:aknoppow@HOM.ORG) to learn more about opportunities. Many different types of pets are accepted in addition to dogs, which must be at least one year old and current on all shots. Past therapy training or experience are preferred but not required. For more information on the opportunities and services offered by Hospice of Michigan, please visit [www.hom.org](http://www.hom.org).

Age 79, of Waterford, died June 3, 2022.

Mr. Fisher also loved Photography, Golf and cherished going to Baseball and Hockey games of his grandchildren.

Beloved Father of Randy (Susan) Fisher, Kim (Doug) Krest, Katie Fisher and Alyson Fisher.

Loving grandfather of Anna and Madeline Fisher, Nick (Meghan) Krest and Tyler (Allison) Krest.

Proud great-grandfather of Mia Krest.

Cherished brother of Nora Fisher and Lynn Levin.

Also survived by dear nieces, Jenna (Lonnie) Elswick, Heidi (Eli) Kalman and a nephew, Austin Carson,

other relatives and friends and his favorite daughter, Bridget the Dog.

OFFICIATING:

Rabbi Avie Shapiro

INTERMENT:

Hebrew Memorial Park Cemetery

SHIVA:

The family will observe Shiva through Tuesday evening and will gather at the home of Kim and Doug Krest

7686 Pleasant Manor Drive

Waterford, MI 48327

ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

THE FAMILY WILL OBSERVE SHIVA AT THE RESIDENCE OF FRIENDS.

Nita and Ron Stearn

30951 Savannah Court

Novi, MI 48377

THE FAMILY WILL ACCEPT CONDOLENCE VISITS BETWEEN  
3:00 PM and 5:00 PM AND THEN AGAIN 6:00pm to 8:30 pm  
with services at 7:00 pm each night.

CONTRIBUTIONS:

If you would like to further honor the memory of

FREDRIC FISHER

you may do so by making a contribution to:

HOSPICE THERAPY DOG PROGRAM AT HOSPICE OF MICHIGAN

[www.HOM.ORG](http://www.HOM.ORG)

or

ANY OTHER ANIMAL CHARITY

# Previous Events

## FUNERAL

JUN 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Hebrew Memorial Chapel  
26640 Greenfield Rd  
Oak Park, MI 48237  
(248) 543-1622  
info@hebrewmemorial.org  
<https://www.hebrewmemorial.org/>

## Shiva

JUN 7 (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Hebrew Memorial Chapel created a Webcast in memory of FREDRIC FISHER*



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**Hebrew Memorial Chapel** - June 07, 2022 at 08:55 AM

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“ *I last saw Fred 5 years ago. He had come to our house in Ypsilanti. Lucy and I had just returned from Israel. I gave Fred a Menorah from Bethelhem. I worked with Fred back in the 90's. I shed a tear when I learned of his passing. Rest in Peace old friend. I extend my condolences to his family. Paul Scholand*

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**Paul Scholand** - June 20, 2022 at 10:12 AM

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“ *Our condolences to all of you. Although we have not seen him for many years, we have wonderful memories of him as a fun loving person. We end hugs to all of you and you will remain in our thoughts.*

*Love,  
Sunny and Eddie Fishkind*

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**Sunny Fishkind** - June 07, 2022 at 10:32 AM

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“ Fred brought my mom and I much joy when we would visit with Bridgett. His kindness will always be in my heart as will Fred. I will miss his stories and his laugh. It was infectious laugh. Next time I have a pastrami Rueben, it will be with a heavy heart and in Fred's memory.

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**Lenore** - June 04, 2022 at 08:06 PM