



## GOLDA INDIG

August 23, 1930 - April 28, 2022

FUNERAL SERVICES 1:00 PM SUNDAY 5/1/2022 at HEBREW MEMORIAL CHAPEL with Interment in Windsor at Shaar Hashomayim Cemetery

A LINK FOR A LIVE ZOOM WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE

Age 91, of Wilmette, Illinois, died April 28, 2022

A life spanning nine decades, five countries, six languages, and countless latkes came to a peaceful end on Thursday. Golda Indig died April 28, 2022 in Wilmette, Illinois with family at her side.

Born in 1930 in what was then Czechoslovakia, Golda grew up as part of a large Jewish family, one of seven siblings. She moved to Sighet, Romania when she was young and spent most of her childhood there, days full of baking with her grandma Malka and playing with her sisters and brothers. When she was seven, she lost her dad to cancer, the first of many painful losses. When she was thirteen, the Nazis came to town.

Golda was forcibly removed from her home and sent to Auschwitz with her family. Her grandma, mom and two younger siblings were murdered there. Her two older brothers died later in the war. Alongside her older sister Blimchu, Golda survived. At Auschwitz, she was sent to the gas chambers

twice and escaped both times, always finding her way back to her sister. She spent a year hiding from the Nazis inside their own concentration camps, sneaking into the camp kitchen to secure food for her, her sister and the rest of their barrack. At 14, she was liberated as an orphan, refugee and survivor of three Nazi concentration camps—Auschwitz, Christandstadt and Bergen Belsen.

Two years after liberation, at 16, she married Benti Indig. The two applied for resettlement and were accepted into Canada in 1950. They had three children together and lived in Canada for thirteen years before coming to the United States. In the States, Golda found a job at General Motors, sewing the leather seats in Cadillacs and cleaning offices. She turned what was supposed to be a short-term job into a 31-year career with the company and used her benefits to support her family, including her grandkids. The trauma of her past became the jet fuel of her life.

Golda was known for her ingenuity, lively spirit and relentless generosity, giving whenever and wherever she could. She loved to feed people and was a phenomenal baker and cook. She worked, cooked, sewed, crocheted, earned her American citizenship and fed anyone and everyone she possibly could. She spent her last years swimming, playing Rummikub and collaborating with her granddaughter Brooke Randel on a Holocaust memoir, still in the works.

From the wake of genocide, Golda created a full, loving life. She is survived by three children, Hedi Bednarz; Harry Indig (spouse Karin Indig); and Gail Randel (spouse Derek Randel); seven grandchildren, Rebecca Feldman (spouse Larry Feldman); Justin Morgan (fiancé Holly Leverton); Michael Morgan (spouse Emily Stern Morgan); David Indig; Stacy Indig; Scott Randel (spouse Dana Randel); and Brooke Randel; and six great-grandchildren, Alexa Feldman; Mara Feldman; Lily Morgan; Ben Morgan; Abe Randel; and Theo Randel. She will be remembered for the fierce way she loved, the quality

of her hugs, and how easily she filled others with food, kindness and good company.

OFFICIATING:

Rabbi Joseph Krakoff

INTERMENT:

Shaar Hashomayim in Windsor, Ontario

SHIVA:

Sunday through Tuesday evening at

Harry & Karin Indig

31780 Ridgeside Dr, Apt 2

Farmington Hills, MI 48334

Shiva Services at 7:pm, Sunday through Tuesday.

Gail will be sitting in Chicago on Monday.

CONTRIBUTIONS:

If you would like to further honor the memory of

GOLDA INDIG

you may do so by making a contribution to

3GNY - Descendants of Holocaust Survivors

<https://3gny.kindful.com/?campaign=1196129>

or

Nova Ukraine

[www.Novaukraine.org](http://www.Novaukraine.org)

or

Hadassah

[www.Hadassah.org](http://www.Hadassah.org)

# Cemetery Details

## Shar Hashomayim Cemetery

2650 Pillette Road  
Windsor, ON (CA)

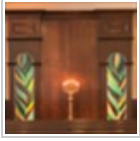
# Previous Events

## FUNERAL

MAY 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Hebrew Memorial Chapel created a Webcast in memory of **GOLDA INDIG**



Hebrew Memorial Chapel - April 29, 2022 at 09:20 AM

JR

*beautiful service, beautiful lady. Sending hugs and prayers to the Indig family.  
Love Judy rosner-kronzek*

judy rosner-kronzek - May 01, 2022 at 01:35 PM

SI

*I wish that video did “Not” cut out toward the end of the service for Golda Indig. I would have wish to see the casket move out of the frame before the video stopped. I was not able to attend my Aunt’s funeral. This would have help with closure for her. A few more minutes would have been nice. This what Ira Kaufman chapel would have done.*

S C Indig - May 01, 2022 at 01:49 PM

SI

*Beautiful service. Goldie will be missed.*

S C Indig - May 01, 2022 at 02:17 PM

LI

*sending love to all ... such an extraordinary woman, an extraordinary life ...*

linda - May 01, 2022 at 02:27 PM

ST

*What a beautiful service for a beautiful life. We love you Golda and are thinking of the entire family. Brooke thank you for telling her story- we all listened with tears in our eyes. We're sorry we couldn't be there but are thinking of everyone. Hugs & Love, Stephanie Green (Grosser) & Shawn, Emmett and Dakota*

Stephanie - May 01, 2022 at 03:32 PM

VI

*I did not know your mother, but your tribute was beautiful! A life well lived.*

victoria - May 02, 2022 at 10:57 AM

HM

*Thank you for sharing this service, many parts of which were a revelation to Peretz, her nephew ( son of her sister Bluma). He never knew that he was named after his maternal grandfather! He is proud to carry his name. This was also the first time he had ever heard this story of the camps, as Bluma was unable to talk about it. He had a strong wish to come over to see her & plans were in place to visit with Tovi & Henya, but were thwarted by the pandemic. We look forward to seeing her in the next life.*

Helen & Peretz Milstein - May 04, 2022 at 03:08 PM

CA

*“ Golda will be truly missed, she was like an adopted Mom to me, we met at General Motors and became great friends and even traveled to Jamaica together. Golda was such an awesome person, very giving and loved her family dearly. I know that she is in a better place now with the Lord which gives me peace and comfort. RIP my dear friend until we meet again, you will truly be missed!!*

*Love, Carole Garcia*

Carol - May 06, 2022 at 11:15 AM

PO

“ Rebecca, it's Phyllis Ostroff, Zack's mom. Sorry for your loss. I didn't know your grandmother was a survivor. Mine were also, which makes your mom a 2g (second generation), as I am. Think of her often. There are very few left. Take care.

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**Phyllis Ostroff** - May 04, 2022 at 09:26 AM

SG

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



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**Shari Greenberg** - May 01, 2022 at 01:36 PM



“ At Rebecca and Larry's wedding, I ran into Goldie in the lobby. Immediately, she wanted to know how my love life was doing. When I revealed my newly single status, she told me that my Bashert would be coming soon. When I met my husband soon after, I felt her generous thoughts were the reason.

Goldie was incredibly kind to me. Always had a lovely word. Made the best fried chicken. I remember her generosity, toughness, her welcoming nature, and her incredible love for family. She wanted a better life than she had growing up and did her best to make it happen.

Please accept my condolences on your loss. May her memory be a blessing. BD"E

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**Tammie Freund** - April 28, 2022 at 06:54 PM



KI

*Thank you so much for sharing that memory. It makes me smile because she did always ask about people's love life. She wanted everyone she cared about to find happiness and support with their special loved one. You meant so much to her especially since wanted you to find your happiness and she made you her delicious fried chicken! Best wishes for continued happiness!*

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**Karin Indig** - May 02, 2022 at 03:14 PM