



LEONARD "LARRY" RAIMI

April 1, 1926 - May 20, 2021

GRAVESIDE SERVICE: 10:00 AM TUESDAY 5/25/2021 at CLOVER HILL PARK CEMETERY.

TO JOIN A LIVE ZOOM OF THE FUNERAL SERVICE, PLEASE CLICK ON THE FOLLOWING LINK APPROXIMATELY 5 MINUTES BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE SERVICE.

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Age 95, of Santa Monica, California, formerly of Michigan, died May 20, 2021.

The retired owner of Central Outfitting Company, he received his bachelor degree from the University of Wisconsin and his Masters in Business from the University of Michigan. His grandchildren were the light of his life and he followed their lives and careers with great interest. During Covid, he was able to live with his son Sam, his wife and their children which gave him great joy.

Beloved husband for 65 years to the late Celia Raimi.

Devoted father of Andrea (Dr. Stuart) Rubin, Dr. Ivan Raimi, Sam (Gillian) Raimi, Ted Raimi and the late Sander Raimi who died from drowning while attending Weitzman School of Technology (as a high schooler).

Treasured Zaydy (no matter how you spell it) to Dr. Sander (Dr. Kim) Rubin, Rose Rubin, Max, Sophie, Lorne, Henry, Emma, Dashiell and Oliver Raimi.

Cherished brother to the late Eddie (late Bess) Raimi, late Irving (late Rae) Raimi, late Sally (late Morris) Brose, late Anne (late Max) Elgot and the late Eve (late Morris) Kane.

OFFICIATING:

Rabbi Marla Hornsten

SHIVA:

The family will be observing Shiva through Wednesday evening

at the residence of

ANDREA AND DR. STUART RUBIN

30166 HIGH VALLEY ROAD

FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48331

ON TUESDAY FRIENDS AND FAMILY ARE INVITED TO TO THE SHIVA HOUSE

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE INTERMENT AND THROUGH 8:00 PM

ON WEDNESDAY, CONDOLENCE VISITORS ARE ASKED TO ATTEND BETWEEN

2:00 PM AND 8:00 PM

RELIGIOUS SERVICES:

7:00 PM TUESDAY EVENING ONLY

CONTRIBUTIONS:

If you would like to further honor the memory of

LEONARD "LARRY" RAIMI

you may do so by making a contribution to:

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

24100 Chagrin Blvd. Ste. 430

Cleveland, OH 44122

1-800-542-8733 www.jnf.org

or

ANTI DEFAMATION LEAGUE

michigan.adl.org

Previous Events

FUNERAL

MAY **25**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Clover Hill Park Cemetery
2425 East 14 Mile Road
Birmingham, MI 48009

Shiva

MAY **25** to **26** (ET)

Andrea and Dr. Stuart Rubin
30166 High Valley Road
Farmington Hills, MI 48331

ON TUESDAY FRIENDS AND FAMILY ARE INVITED TO TO THE SHIVA HOUSE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE INTERMENT AND THROUGH 8:00 PM ON WEDNESDAY, CONDOLENCE VISITORS ARE ASKED TO ATTEND BETWEEN 2:00 PM AND 8:00 PM RELIGIOUS SERVICES: 7:00 PM TUESDAY EVENING ONLY

Tribute Wall

SO

“ I was the last owner of Dexter Davison Kosher Meats, and Leonard was from a generation that was typically chauvinistic, but he was never that way when he shopped by me, in fact he was very happy that a woman was a kosher butcher. He was a delightful customer, always the gentleman, z”l Leonard.

Sherry Orbach - May 29, 2021 at 02:36 PM

JR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Joyce Rothstein - May 26, 2021 at 01:44 PM

JK

“ Larry was my very good friend. In the last five years he was incredibly supportive both emotionally and psychologically. He took me to every good restaurant around, he told me jokes, played great opera for me (not that I ever appreciated it) and listened patiently to every one of my long-winded stories. He reminded me I was not supposed to laugh at my own jokes. He introduced me to his large, warm and incredibly talented family and got me a subscription to The Wall Street Journal. Larry was an unusual human. He treated everyone with respect, he was highly principled morally and yet always had a witty aside. It is impossible for me to believe that I will never see him in person again. I miss him and will continue to do so.

Jane King - May 26, 2021 at 09:46 AM

RS

“ So many memorable conversations with Zidey especially with Max and Sophie. He had a sharp wit, great laugh, and always was honest and straight to the point. He clearly loved his family immensely. Max and I were so fortunate to have him so nearby in LA so we could visit. I remember in particular visiting him on the 8th night of Hanukkah, double masked with face shields to light the menorah and say the blessings. We had such a wonderful long conversation that night and it was so beautiful to be together. He was not subtle about his pride in his grandkids and their accomplishments, or about his love for his family. I will miss his laugh, and we will miss our visits with him and the chance for engaging conversation until he had had enough. So much love to the whole family. We are grateful we were able to mourn with you in person today. May his memory be a blessing, the reminiscences today made evident that he has already blessed all of us who got to know him.



Rachel SJ - May 25, 2021 at 11:24 PM

AK

“ Dear Sam, Ivan, Andrea, Teddy and family-- I was so sorry to hear about Larry's passing. I will always remember your dad's incredible good humor and treasure his friendship with my father (Earl). I think they had a lunch date every week for many years after my mother passed away. I felt lucky to be able to visit a couple of years ago along with Karen Mucha-- we spent some great time reminiscing (including about my first job selling lingerie at LuLu's in Southfield!)---- I'm sorry that I can't attend his Shiva but I'm thinking of you all
Amy Kuhlik

amy kuhlik - May 25, 2021 at 09:22 PM

VI

“ I will miss Larry's welcoming face at the dinner table. His smile warmed the room instantly and he always made you feel like you were part of the family.

And I don't know how he managed to bring so much life into every conversation but he did. He was gifted at being present and his presence would engage you.

Watching "Zidey" interact with his grandchildren was always a great source of entertainment at the Raimi family dinners. How lucky for them and how very lucky for him to have spent the last 5 years of his life surrounded by so much love and laughter.

Thank you, Larry for always being so gracious, for amusing us with your wit and humor, and for letting us be part of your posse. I will forever admire you. xoxo

Vivian - May 24, 2021 at 10:40 PM

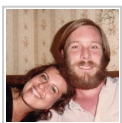
ER

“ I didn't get close with my Zidey until the last 5 years, when he came to live with us. When he moved in with us after my Bubby's passing, I didn't know I was going to gain a best friend and confidant. He brought our family together, and insisted that we have family dinners every night; something we didn't do before. Throughout his last months, he advocated for me and was my ally in every situation. He kept peace when our household became turbulent.

Furthermore, we bonded over our shared love of Jewish humor and musical theatre, and I counted on him to always laugh at my jokes (well, not always— he was a tough critic). He shared my love of Oscar Wilde and Camp, (even though he insisted that Camp was a “dead genre” and didn't “understand why they still teach it”).

He was so friendly to everyone I brought into the house. To his last days, he was always enthusiastic about getting to know any of my friends and made them feel welcome. I am so happy that I was able to find an ally and best friend in him, even though it was in his last few years. I am honored to be his granddaughter.

Emma Raimi - May 23, 2021 at 01:00 PM



That was so beautiful, Emma. He and your bubby were "fountains of knowledge" and were never shy about expressing their opinions. That was one of the many things we loved about them. I am sure he was very proud of you and cherished the last five years he was able to share with you. ♡♡♡

Sherrie Manier - May 23, 2021 at 06:16 PM

DS

Beautifully written. Leonard, your "Zidey," was my patient. And yes, I too enjoyed him very much. His ophthalmologist.

David Shepherd - May 24, 2021 at 09:02 PM

JR

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Joyce and Ron Rothstein - May 23, 2021 at 10:51 AM

Jacqueline Allen

“ *Larry was my father for the hardest 25 years of my life. He wasn't just my boss. I loved traveling with him and he was my biggest teacher. I will forget miss you* 💔

Jacqueline Allen - May 22, 2021 at 07:48 PM

Jacqueline Allen

**forever*

Jacqueline Allen - May 22, 2021 at 07:50 PM

RR

“ *I lost my best friend of 90 years. I miss him.*

Ronald Rothstein

Ronald Rothstein - May 22, 2021 at 11:35 AM

CB

“ Leonard was a great believer in obtaining a good education, and then making sure those who follow you have access to the same. He believed in God, in mastering income producing skills, in pursuing the American dream through free enterprise if you can, and then when those basics are in order, in putting some money into real estate and solid, publicly traded, dividend paying, American companies for steady compounding. One of his strongest business skills that others do not practice enough, is that before you started a job for him, he wanted you to tell him what the price included, how every step of the job was going to go, and what the outcome was going to be. Such approach meant few surprises later as to what the price did and did not cover. He knew that it is much easier to spend than to save. Leonard always complimented people when he saw them performing above expectation. He was a great example of how to minimize mistakes, and from what I could see, a great husband and father.

Charles Bosler - May 21, 2021 at 02:56 PM



Jacqueline
Allen

Very well said 😊

Jacqueline Allen - May 22, 2021 at 07:45 PM