



MIKULAS "MIKE" JUDIKOVIC

September 30, 2013

Age 93. of West Bloomfield, died September 28, 2013.

A Holocaust Survivor, Mike was a volunteer and docent at the Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus.

One of the first things Mike Judikovic did after joining Adat Shalom Synagogue in Farmington Hills 25 years ago was to become part of the Shabbat Morning Usher Corps. In time, he was heading the group who shushed and guided the congregation, soon adding head volunteer High Holiday usher to his resume as well.

A few years ago, Judikovic tried to "retire" from his station, but was able to give up only the Shabbat post, remaining in charge of the 30 or so members who gather each High Holiday to help maintain the dignity and decorum of the service, standing at each aisle of the sanctuary and social hall where services are held.

"Pinned to the lapel of the jacket I wear on the holidays is a tag that says "chairman", said Judikovic.

Along with answering questions, directing congregants to their seats and helping them find prayer books, "ushers have to know when people need to stay in the back and not walk or speak, like during certain prayers or the rabbis' sermons"

A Holocaust survivor, Judikovic spent two years in a labor camp and fought

with the partisan resistance movement against the Nazis. He now is a volunteer speaker at the Holocaust Center in Farmington Hills, where his oral history is filed in the library.

Judikovic first came to Adat Shalom in 1982 as a guest at a wedding of a friend's son. He met the synagogue's cantor, Larry Veider, and they spoke in Yiddish, one of Judikovic's six languages.

"We discovered we were both from Czechoslovakia and that I studied for my bar mitzvah in 1932 with his father's cousin, who was also a cantor", Judikovic said.

Soon after, Judikovic became a member of Adat Shalom and then years later, he read his haftorah in honor of the 75th anniversary of his bar mitzvah.

Judikovic hardly volunteers for accolades, but still treasures a letter of gratitude sent several years ago from the synagogue's clergy and administration.

The funeral service will be held at Hebrew Memorial Chapel.

A link will be provided for a webcast of the funeral service.

Family Info:

Beloved husband for 64 years to Bozena Judikovic.

Loving brother of Hedy (late Joseph) Duschinsky, Lola (late Igor)

Schoenberger and the late Lil Rosenberg.

Also survived by many cherished nephews and nieces.

Tribute Wall



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MIKULAS "MIKE" JUDIKOVIC*



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