



MORRIS GARFINKEL

November 5, 1936 - January 30, 2020

SERVICES: 2:30 PM SUNDAY 2/2/2020 at HEBREW MEMORIAL CHAPEL

A LINK WILL BE PROVIDED ON THE VIDEO PAGE FOR A WEBCAST OF THE FUNERAL.

Age 83, of Novi, died January 30, 2020.

Beloved husband of Eleanor. Devoted father of Dr. Jodi (Dr. Robert) Weinfeld and Michael (Stacey) Garfinkel. Adored Papa of David, Sara, and Ilana Weinfeld, Noah and Alexis Garfinkel. Brother-in-law of Susan (the late Richard) Banks and Myra (the late Louis) Sonshine. Devoted uncle, friend, and teacher.

OFFICIATING:

Rabbi E. Pachter

INTERMENT:

Clover Hill Park Cemetery

SHIVA:

The family of Morris Garfinkel will observe Shiva through Thursday evening at the residence:

Eleanor Garfinkel

30725 Sandalwood Circle
Novi, MI 48377

Condolence visits are welcome from 2:00-4:00 pm and 6:30-8:30 pm.

SHIVA SERVICES:

7:00 pm Sunday through Thursday.

CONTRIBUTIONS:

To further honor the memory of Morris Garfinkel,
a donation may be made to

A CHARITY OF YOUR CHOICE

For those who are eligible, please consider a donation of blood or blood products in his memory.

Cemetery Details

Clover Hill Park Cemetery

2425 East 14 Mile Road
Birmingham, MI 48009

Previous Events

Service

FEB 2. 2:30 PM (ET)

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

Shiva

FEB 2 to 6 (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Hebrew Memorial Chapel created a Webcast in memory of MORRIS GARFINKEL



Hebrew Memorial Chapel - February 02, 2020 at 01:23 PM

GC

Farewell Marty.

Gail

Gail Cohen - February 02, 2020 at 03:17 PM

DM

“ I was a student of Mr. Garfinkel's when I was in 7th grade at Roosevelt. He cared about his students was always one of my favorite teachers. I'm very sad to hear of his passing.

Deb Maltz - February 02, 2020 at 08:47 PM

FG

“ I was in the first full graduating class at Frost. So I knew Mr G since 7th grade. He was a wonderful man and incredible teacher. He will be missed.

Fred Goldenberg - February 02, 2020 at 02:00 PM

RP

“ I worked Marty many years at Frost then Roosevelt Middle School. He was a very special guy. He could and would make us laugh no matter the craziness of the day. Our birthdays were both in November {his a little before mine), so he would try to organize my day with tips on free or reduced meals, products, and activities. It was difficult to be or upset around Marty, because he always had a joke or story to lift us up.

My condolences to his family. He will be missed!!

Ron Payok

Ron Payok - February 01, 2020 at 05:14 PM

AM

So sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Garfinkel. He was an awesome teacher. I would always see him at Hudsons department store, at Northland, where I think I remember him working in the shoe department. Rest Peacefully, sir...

Aarolyn McCullough - February 02, 2020 at 02:06 AM

M(

I had Mr. Garfinkel as a teacher. He was amazing teacher, tried to reconnect on FB but never got a response. So sorry to hear of his passing. Prayers to his family and friends

Marcie Carr (Buggleman) - February 03, 2020 at 08:50 AM

KL

*Marty was a FRIEND though Oak Park Schools
Great sense of humor
My sympathies to his family...*

Karen Lowen - February 06, 2020 at 10:24 AM

CR

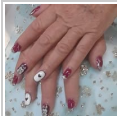
“ I taught with Marty at Frost/Roosevelt from 1978 till 1999. Many of my happiest memories of those years include Marty. He always had a moment to calm down a jittery new teacher in my early days, usually with a joke or a funny story. And I always knew that if I needed a friendly, non-judgemental person to talk to about a school problem I was having, Marty was my friend. We were both part of a group of teachers who would sometimes go out after work on payday Fridays, and that was always fun. Marty was kind, caring, funny, and a truly good person. My condolences to Eleanor and his family. Marty will be missed, by me and so many others.

Cathy (Koch) Ratledge - January 31, 2020 at 07:21 PM

MS

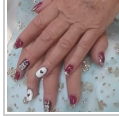
“ Marty was a close friend. We both went to durfee and central.my dad owned a shoe store on Fort street and his parents had a store.Both of us worked at the stores.We together would take the Clairmont bus to the stores.We both sold shoes to get through college.Good friend and great memories . Mort Schneider

morton schneider - January 31, 2020 at 11:51 AM



please see my post on your messenger we are not friends by i think that you knew my mother roz margolis kohn

Marcia Kohn - February 01, 2020 at 03:07 PM



*my mother roselyn margolis kohn also went to durfee and central before moving to oak park in 1953, she taught first grade at lessenger school school in oak park until she passed away in 1998. did you know her. I met rob in mn while he was doing his residency and then jody when she moved her. I also new marty through my mother. we later were on a caribbean cruise together.
I also attended the oak park school system, marty was such a kind hearted person, I always respected him, even though I never had him as a teacher. He will be missed*

Marcia Kohn - February 01, 2020 at 03:20 PM



I know this is late, Mr Garfield was an admired teacher in Oak Park. I don't think I had him personally. However when I was in my mid 20's, I went to Hudson's to buy a pair of shoes for a work function or wedding. He waited on me and convinced me to buy a pair of Italian's leather Bandolino shoes. He spoke of the importance of quality shoes. I paid \$40 for them which was higher than I could afford. My mother several years later bought an off brand - her feet hurt all night while I never took my pair off as they were so comfortable. I still own those shoes, and I share his wise words. I found his funeral notice in the Oak Park Class Of 1975 Facebook page - my graduating class.

Leslie Thumm - October 27, 2024 at 10:31 AM



*“ I am so very sorry for your loss! I taught with Marty at Frost and Roosevelt Middle School from 1977 to 1987! He was an amazing teacher and an even more amazing human being! He had such a great sense of humor and he always had a smile! He was kind to everyone he met! I drove a white Riviera Convertible and Marty asked for a ride! We drove around the streets of Oak Park, waving at people and laughing! I will always remember dear Marty! He will be missed by so many but his memory will live on! My heartfelt condolences to your family! He was special!
Peggy (Mackinder, Jenkins) Westman*

Peggy Westman - January 31, 2020 at 09:26 AM

RM

“ *Mr. Garfinkel was my English teacher at OPHS. When he called me out to do his heating and cooling - we talked about wonderful memories we shared. He was such a genuine and kind human being. He will be sadly missed.*

*Heartfelt
Bob Mendelson*

Roslyn Mendelson - January 31, 2020 at 08:54 AM

KK

“ *I have so many wonderful memories of cousin Morrie. When I was a child I really wanted a Chatty Cathy doll. My parents thought they were too expensive. Eleanor's brother worked with the Mattel company, somehow, and when I was about six or seven we drove to their house on Stratford in Southfield, to pick up my new doll. I still have Chatty Cathy. When I was in high school cousin Morrie was a legend of the Oak Park School system. All we had to do was mention we were related and everyone treated us like royalty. I remember going to Hudson's shoe department and who would wait on us...that's right, my dad's younger cousin with the beautiful blue eyes. Our lives were like a fine weaving. I am a better person for having such a lovely role model and relative. Jodi, Michael, Eleanor - I love you.*



Karen Katanick - January 31, 2020 at 08:14 AM

SL

Marty was a fraternity brother, friend and all around good guy. I have not seen him in months, but he will be missed.
Sye Linovitz

Sye Linovitz - January 31, 2020 at 10:33 AM

JG

A Great Guy, Always friendly, always with a smile on his face. We played poker together and his favorite phrase was "one is high and two is low!!" An inside joke for the playwes. Had a lot of good times. He will be missed. Sorry we kind of lost touch with each other.

Jerry Gerger

Jerry Gerger - January 31, 2020 at 01:10 PM

SG

The saying is true that to know Marty was to love him. He was my co-worker, my department head, my friend. He was a kind, loving, caring human being. His passing will be a loss to everyone who knew him.
Sheila Goldberg

Sheila Goldberg - January 31, 2020 at 04:14 PM

BS

Lovely and kind soul. Fun to be with. I remember sharing fun get togethers. My condolences to his family Eleanor Jodi and Michael.

Beverly Stewart (Marvald)

Beverly Stewart - January 31, 2020 at 04:28 PM



I got to know Marty because I am friends with his son, Mike. Every time I was over at the Garfinkel house he always had a smile and a laugh to share, as did Mrs. Garfinkel. You always felt welcome. I remember when I stopped at their house before going to our ten year high school reunion in 1995. Mr. Garfinkel asked me what I was doing, and when I told him I was teaching at Cranbrook over the summer, he just smiled, winked and said "Welcome to the team! Nice to have you!" Truly, his was a life well-lived.

Chris Guyor - February 01, 2020 at 02:57 PM

SK

Always remember him a very happy guy with a smile. Rest in Peace.

Steven Alan Kamber - February 02, 2020 at 12:40 PM

EO

Marty and I taught together at Wayne County Community College. We also played tennis at which he was a real talent. It was always a pleasure to see him whenever and he will be missed as a truly wonderful person.

Ed Ogul - February 02, 2020 at 01:31 PM