



RAPHAEL "RAFI" SCHWARTZ

May 15, 1932 - July 17, 2020

FAMILY GRAVESIDE SERVICE: 11:00 AM MONDAY 7/20/2020 at HEBREW MEMORIAL PARK CEMETERY.

Age 88, Rafi, of in Pembroke Pines, Florida and formerly of Michigan, died July 17, 2020.

Born in Ludmir Poland in 1932. Raphael survived the Holocaust along with his parents and his brother Yakov. After the war, the family emigrated to Israel and Raphael served as a captain in the Israeli Defense Forces. He came to Detroit in 1956 where he earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. Raphael worked in the auto industry for Ford Motor Company and Chrysler, and also provided expert testimony in a number of legal cases. He impacted the lives of hundreds of students in the metro-Detroit area, teaching in the United Hebrew Schools, preparing bar- and bat-mitzvah students, and tutoring students in a variety of secular subjects.

Husband of Judith Schwartz.

Brother of Yakov Harari (Rena).

Father of Dahlia Schwartz (Kathleen Moltz), David Schwartz (Rachel Kosoy), and Mark Schwartz (Andi Kaiser).

Grandfather of Aliana Schwartz and Itamar Moltz, Noah and Eli Schwartz, and Talia and Jacob Schwartz.

Cousin to Ruti Zur (Amos), Arella Drukman, and Elan Levanon (Drora).

OFFICIATING:

Rabbi S. Rubenstein

INTERMENT:

Hebrew Memorial Park Cemetery

SHIVA:

Shiva will take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, July 21-23, at the home of Dahlia Schwartz, 31170 Sunset Court, Beverly Hills MI, in the backyard, from 4:30-7:30 pm with services at 7 pm. Shiva and service will not be held in the rain. Please do not park on the cul-de-sac. Details can be found at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0949A8AD2AA0F94-shiva>.

CONTRIBUTIONS:

If you would like to further honor
the memory of

RAFI SCHWARTZ

you may do so by making a contribution to:

The American Jewish World Service

(<https://ajws.org/>)

or

the American Friends of Magen David Adom

<https://afmda.org/>

Previous Events

Service

JUL **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Hebrew Memorial Park Cemetery
33230 Gratiot
Clinton Township, MI 48035

Tribute Wall



Dan Jackson

“ *This dirtbag takes a dirt nap finally. A Socialist POS Democratic assho_e..*

Dan Jackson - December 15, 2021 at 08:21 PM



“ *Forgive my lateness...I was one of the many students Rafi tutored over the years. I'll always remember him as a good man. My deepest condolences, and he will be missed.*

Matthew Shapiro - October 26, 2020 at 02:36 PM



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“ *Thank you for sharing Rafi's life story. His very difficult early years leading to a very successful man. I was grateful to be Rafi's neighbor and share many mangos with him over the years. I miss watching his avid daily workout routine. Rafi always offered to help me. My deepest condolences to the family.*

Zelda Zalis

Zelda Zalis - August 09, 2020 at 05:24 PM



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“ *Thank you for sharing the link so I could hear what was said about Rafi's life story. Prayers and love to the family, especially Judy. Shalom.*

Natalie Greenwald Pirkle

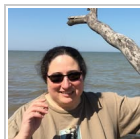
Natalie Pirkle - July 21, 2020 at 09:26 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Graveside Service*



otto - July 20, 2020 at 01:22 PM



“ 9 files added to the album *Photos of Rafi*



Dahlia Schwartz - July 19, 2020 at 11:10 AM