



SYLVIA HOLLANDER

July 1, 1929 - January 22, 2021

FAMILY GRAVESIDE SERVICE: 2:00 PM WEDNESDAY 1/27/2021 at BETH ABRAHAM CEMETERY.

TO VIEW A RECORDING OF THE FUNERAL SERVICE, PLEASE GO TO THE PHOTO AND VIDEO SECTION OF THIS WEBPAGE AND CLICK ON THE VIDEO.

Sylvia Hollander, née Genser, 91, of Boca Raton, Florida
Sylvia Hollander, eldest, beloved daughter of William A. and Goldie Genser, was born on July 1, 1929 in Detroit, Michigan, and died peacefully on January 22, 2021. Sylvia graduated Central High School in 1946; later in life she graduated from Wayne State University. A natural athlete from a very young age, she completed a triathlon at the age of 12 and excelled on her high school swim team. Throughout her life, she enjoyed swimming and water sports, and became an accomplished synchronized swimmer. After sustaining a serious back injury during an automobile accident, Sylvia healed by practicing yoga and, as a long-time volunteer at the Jewish Community Center, was a pioneer in encouraging hundreds of women to heal their body and spirit using yoga exercises. She became a real estate agent with Real Estate One, and was recognized as one of the company's top real estate agents.

Sylvia married Ramon Hollander in 1949, and became the beloved daughter-in-law of Lester and Rose Hollander. She was preceded in death by Ramon, from whom she was divorced, and by Sidney Debin, of Brooklyn, New York, who she married in 1988, and with whom she shared a love of swing music and dancing. Herb Segal, of Boston, was a cherished companion until his passing. Herb's daughter, Sandi Meixner, remained a devoted friend.

Sylvia was honored in life and will be deeply missed by her sister, Beverly Gold (Bernard, of blessed memory) and brother, Arthur Genser (Fern); her daughter, Carol (aka Aaron Rachel Rose) and sons, Robert (Debra) and Richard (Romana Auth); her granddaughter Jessica Rosen (Daniel) and grandsons Evan Hollander and Leonard Hollander (Maddalena Breveglieri); and great-grandson, Max Asher Rosen, by whom she was known as "GiGi." She will also be greatly missed by her nieces and by her cherished, life-long best friend, Rhoda Raderman (Stanley, of blessed memory), also of Detroit.

Sylvia will be laid to rest at Beth Abraham Cemetery, which was supported over time with the dedicated efforts of her father, a distinguished member of Congregation Beth Abraham. She will be laid to rest next to her parents, and close to her adored sister, Annette Leckart, who died in April 2020. Her baby brother, Aaron, who died at the age of 7, also rests at Beth Abraham Cemetery.

OFFICIATING:

Rabbi Daniel Syme

INTERMENT:

Beth Abraham Cemetery

SHIVA

The family will observe Shiva privately

Previous Events

Service

JAN 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

Beth Abraham Cemetery
21569 Woodward Avenue
Ferndale, MI 48220

Tribute Wall

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rhoda raderman - January 31, 2021 at 12:09 PM

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“ I am so sorry to hear about Mrs. Hollander's passing. I lived around the block from the Hollanders as a little boy in Oak Park and Ricky was an early pal. Mrs. Hollander was funny and kind to me, always making me feel welcome in her home. I felt so special when she would address me by both my first and middle names. To her, I was always "Gary Michael" and she was the only person in my life who ever addressed me that way. My memories of her are very very fond. My condolences to the Hollander family and may her memory always be a blessing.

-Gary Goodman

Gary Goodman - January 29, 2021 at 10:22 PM

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“ Uncle Bobbie, please accept our sincere condolences for your loss. May her memory be a blessing.

Phil, Beverly, Laura, Megan and Barack

Phil Feinberg - January 27, 2021 at 07:12 PM

SM

“ *Sylvia: I am so glad we met just about 15 years ago. You can't choose your family, but you can choose your friends, and you were the one I chose. I love you very much and will miss you even more.*
Sandi

Sandi M - January 27, 2021 at 05:31 PM

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Hebrew Memorial - January 27, 2021 at 03:37 PM