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May You Dwell in the House of the Lord Forever

Say not in grief "he is no more" but in thankfulness that he was.

Hebrew Proverb

This book contains sacred prayers and thus must be handled respectfully.

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The Meaning of Yizkor



We Jews firmly believe in Life Eternal. The loved ones we honor today do forever live in God's world.

During our prayers each day, we give thanks to the Almighty who returns "life to the dead."

When we observe Shiva and recite Kaddish, when we keep Yahrtzeit, and make charitable contributions, when we say Yizkor, we demonstrate our faith in Life Eternal and our belief that our loved ones live on forever.

Our Sages tell us that the finest way to honor a deceased loved one is to conduct our lives piously and charitably. Through our own lives, we reflect honor upon the eternal lives of our loved ones.

May our reciting of Yizkor today inspire us toward more reverent living. May we so live that our loved ones in "Gan Eden" be at peace, and that their memory be a constant source of blessing and life to us.

The Rabbi's Message Stranger on a Train

Ever take a train regularly? A commuter rail, subway, or city bus? Eventually, you can spot the regulars. You don't have much cause to engage with most of them: an "excuse me" here, a "this is my stop" there is largely enough. It's no more than a casual acquaintance, a common journey. It may only be a slightly more intimate relationship than sharing an elevator up to the office. I suppose this is also true at the gym, or restaurants like Long's and Wright's Cafeteria.

In my life, I don't commute on public transportation, or even share a parking garage with strangers. Yet, there's a stranger I recognize more and more each day; mostly, he just keeps to himself. We've never been properly introduced, but I know the Stranger's name: Sammael. You may know him by his title, the Angel of Death.

By a certain age, we all become acquainted with Sammael. I met him early and often. Nonetheless, I still don't know him intimately - as I said, about as well as you'd know another commuter on your train or bus, or someone who regularly uses the elliptical machine next to you at the gym. In some ways, Sammael is impersonal. His visit isn't occasioned by anything we did wrong. As Maimonides notes, it is simply an outcome of a body that is impermanent. What's strange is that I'm not afraid of him anymore, just wary. I know his name and he must know mine – for the future time when the Angel of Death will inevitably come to collect me. (As e e cummings said, "All ignorance toboggans into know.") I wonder if that's as good as it gets: We never really get cozy with death, it just starts to scare us less. Sammael's dominion is

not evil or cruel, just natural, unfortunate, or sad.

Despite that familiarity, each death is different, and we always grieve. Every visit from Sammael is hard and often tragic, and it *always* comes too soon. Inevitably, when I know Sammael is near, I curse him away and brace myself for a fight. Yet, I pray that the visit isn't filled with fear, anger, and recrimination. You see someone often enough across a train, they begin to be approachable: You could talk to them but you don't have a reason to do so yet. Is Sammael like that?

The Talmud teaches that King David wished to know his end, and it was denied him. Yet, I am sure that one might still know Death. Perhaps not an intimate friendship, but at least a cessation of hostilities. This year, perhaps we can find acceptance for the stranger on the train. Amid grief, mourning, and *Yizkor*, may we accept both sadness and uplift, and know relief from Sammael's terror.

If so, what would you do with your precious life if you were free from fear of death?

The memory of the righteous is a blessing.

Proverbs 10:7

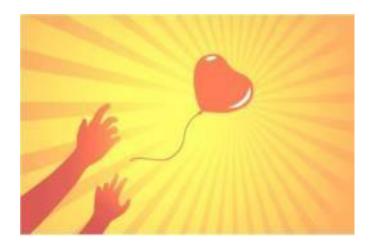
Respect for the Deceased

In the way of righteousness is life, and in the pathway thereof there is no death.

— Proverbs 12:28

Our faith promises us an eternal life and affords each member of society the opportunity of reserving for himself a place in the "World to Come." "This World," say our sages, "is the vestibule before the great chamber of the Hereafter." We are to live our lives so as to prepare ourselves for that immortal chamber.

When, God forbid, death strikes, our faith prescribes a ritual of respect and a modus of comfort. A vigil remains with the deceased even throughout the night. The Chevra Kadisha, or, Sacred Society, assumes the responsibility for the Tahara, a ritual washing and purification, done by pious and respectful individuals.



In our tradition, there is no preparing of remains, no funerary personnel to "fix, paint, prepare, or beautify" our loved ones. The Chevra Kadisha cloak our dear ones in the traditional "Tachrihim;" all are interred alike in the white garments of purity. A man is also draped in his own tallit. The Aron, or casket, should be of simple wood with no ostentation.

A funeral must not be a show. The casket is always closed. The deceased must never become a showpiece. We remember our loved ones not for their death, but for the way they lived. The soul which animated our loved ones is gone, only the mortal clay remains.

The Bible tells us that "Job rose and tear his cloak." The mourners rend an article of clothing (or a symbolic ribbon) and recite the blessing, "Blessed be the righteous judge," a pious submission to the will of God. Even as our heart is torn, so does the cutting of the Kriah enable us to express tangibly our innermost emotions.

Burial must be immediate. In true respect to the deceased, the remains do not "linger on." Jewish burial is only in Mother Earth, from whence we sprang and from whence we continually draw our sustenance. As the Aron is borne to the appointed resting place, we follow, pausing seven times as a sign of respect and as an expression of sorrow of parting. There are no painless funerals, and what may appear to be momentarily difficult, will eventually become therapeutically comforting.

After the near of kin recite the Kaddish, one by one in turn, they each throw down three shovels-full of dirt upon the casket, as per Heska Amuna tradition. The dirt is carried on the back of the shovel as a sign of reluctance to complete this task. This is the final mitzvah that the living can do for the deceased. When all other mourners who also wish to perform this final act have taken their turn, then two

parallel lines are formed between which the mourners pass and receive the traditional words of comfort. Upon leaving the cemetery, or alternatively at the door of the house of mourning, we wash our hands as a sign of purity.

Immediately after burial, Shiva commences. Shiva means seven and refers to the seven days of mourning to be observed by the spouse, children, parents, and siblings of the deceased. Shiva begins with the "Seudat Havraah," or "meal of condolence," prepared by the Chesed committee. It is traditional to serve eggs or other round foods as a symbol of the ever on-going world. The mourners then sit on low stools, refrain from wearing leather shoes, and should not shave. These signs of humility are expressions of reverence and respect. Mirrors are covered to preclude all signs of personal vanity. A candle is lit to fulfill the words, "The soul of man is the lamp of the lord." The mourner remains at home, does not engage in business or occupation.

To honor the deceased services should be held each morning and evening in the home. It is during Shiva that comforting visits are made. We enter and leave the house of mourning without salutation. It is the mourner who breaks the silence first. On the Sabbath, the bereaved may leave their homes and doff the torn garments. Shiva is resumed at the end of the Sabbath. Shiva ends on the morning of the seventh day.

Traditionally, at noon, one takes a walk around the block to signify the end of Shiva and the entrance back into the real world. The next thirty days are called Shloshim, or Thirty. This is the period of mourning for our loved ones. For our parents, mourning continues throughout the year. Primarily, the period of mourning calls for abstention from

celebrations and entertainment. Kaddish is recited for a period of eleven months, daily at each service starting from the advent of Shiva. The Kaddish is an affirmation of faith, an acceptance of God's will. We may question and ask why, but we realize that God's way is beyond the ken of mortals. "The secret things belong to God."

Reciting the Kaddish is a commitment to honor the memory of our beloved, a respect tenacious in Jewish life. Kaddish is the bond strong enough to bridge Heaven and Earth. It makes the heart of parents and children beat in eternal unison. Posthumous respect does not end with death. Four times each year we recite Yizkor, or memorial service. At this time we contribute charity in our loved one's memory. On the Yahrtzeit, or anniversary of the demise, Kaddish is recited. A candle is lit in the home and it is customary to visit the grave. On the Sabbath closest to the Yahrtzeit the observers may be called to the Torah and the El Maleh Rachamim memorial prayer is offered. Charity must accompany our noble thoughts. Good deeds and pious commitments go hand in hand.

A monument to mark the final resting place is erected during the first year of mourning. It is customary to visit the grave site to honor and to gain comfort and solace. There is a custom that children who have lost a parent visit the cemetery before their nuptials, symbolically inviting the deceased to join in at their time of joy. It is a universal Jewish custom to visit the gravesite before Rosh Hashanah as we invoke the blessings of the New Year.

Congregational Prayer

O God, this hour revives in us memories of loved ones who are no more. What happiness we shared when they walked among us! What joy, when loving and loved we lived our lives together!

Their memory is a blessing forever.

Months or years may have passed, yet we feel near to them. Our hearts yearn for them. Though the bitter grief has softened, a duller pain abides, for the place where once they stood is empty now forever. The links of life are broken, but the links of love and longing cannot break.

Their souls are bound up in ours forever.

We see them now with the eye of memory, their faults forgiven, their virtues grown larger. So does goodness live and weakness fade from sight. We remember them with gratitude and bless their names.

Their memory is a blessing forever.

And we remember them as well the men and women who but yesterday were a part of our congregation and community. To all who cared for us and labored for the well-being of our people and of humanity, we pay tribute. May we prove worthy of carrying on the tradition of our people and our faith, for now the task is ours.

Their souls are bound up in ours forever.

A time to mourn and a time to dance. Ecclesiastes (Kohelet) 3:4

A Yizkor Meditation

Hashem, what is man that You recognize him? The son of a frail human that You reckon with him?

Man is like a breath, His days are like a passing shadow.

In the morning, it blossoms and is rejuvenated,

By evening it is cut down and brittle.

According to the count of our days, so may You teach us; Then shall we attain a heart of wisdom.

Safeguard the perfect and watch the upright, For the destiny of that man is peace.

But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave, for He will take me, Selah!

My flesh and heart yearn—Rock of my heart,

And my portion is God, forever.

Thus the dust returns to the ground as it was, And the spirit returns to God who gave it.

These Things I Know

How the living go on living And how the dead go on living With them

So that in a forest
Even a dead tree casts a shadow.
And the leaves fall one by one.
And the branches break in the wind
And the bark peels off slowly
And the trunk cracks
And the rain seeps through the cracks

And the trunk falls to the ground And the moss covers it And in the spring the rabbits find it And build their nest

Inside the dead tree so that nothing is wasted in nature Or in love.

We who remember are artists, aerialists
On a swinging trapeze
Letting go one ring to catch another. Hold on and let go
A subtle duality
That endows our life
With meaning—

Neither denying the past
Nor foreclosing the future.
We are a part of the flow of life
The divine process,
Which gives and takes Creates and retains.
We, too, must give and take, seize hold and release.

Adonai giveth and Adonai taketh
Blessed be the Name of God's Sovereign Glory.

"Be the things you love most about the people who are gone."Anonymous

O God the Healer

O GOD, Healer of the broken hearted

And Binder of their wounds

Grant consolation to those who mourn.

Give them strength and courage

In their time of grief,

And restore to them a sense of life's goodness.

Fill them with reverence and love,

That they may serve You with a full heart

And let them know peace.

Amen.

Eternal God

ETERNAL GOD.

You are close to the hearts of the sorrowing.

You strengthen and console them with the warmth of Your love, and with the assurance that the human spirit is enduring and indestructible.

Even as we pray for perfect peace for those whose lives have ended,

so do we ask You to give comfort and courage to the living.

May the knowledge of Your nearness be our strength,

O GOD,

for You are with us at all times:

in joy and sorrow,

in light and darkness, in life and death.

There Are Stars

There are stars up above

So far away we only see their light

Long, long after the star itself is gone.

And so it is with the people that we loved—

Their memories keep shining ever brightly

Though their time with us is done.

But the stars that light up the darkest night,

These are the stars that guide us.

As we live our days, these are the ways we remember.

Psalm 23—Psalm of David

מִזְמוֹר לְדָוִד יְהֹנָה רֹעִי לֹא אֶחְסָר: בִּנְאוֹת דָשֶׁא יַרְבִּיצִנִי עַלֹּ־מֵי מְנָחוֹת יְנַהֲלֵנִי: נַפְשִׁי יְשׁוֹבֵב יַנְחֵנִי בְמַעְנְּלֵי־צֶּדֶק לְמַעֵן שְׁמוֹּ: נַם כִּי־אֵלֵך בְּנִיא צַלְמָנֶת לֹא־אִירָא רָע כִּי־אַתָּה עִמָּדִי שִׁבְּטְּךְ וּמִשְׁעַנְתֶּךְ הַמָּה יְנַחֲמָנִי: תַּעֲרֹךְ לְפָנֵי שֻׁלְחָן נָנֶד צֹרְרָי דִּשַּׁנְתָּ בַּשֶּׁמֶן רֹאשִׁי כּוֹסִי רְנָיָה: אַךְ מוֹב וָחֶסֶד יִרְדְּפוּנִי כָּלֹ־יְמֵי חַיָּי וְשַׁבְתִּי בְּבֵית-יְהֹנָה לְאֹרֶךְ יָמִים:

God is my shepherd; I lack nothing. By green fields, God lets me rest; by still waters, God guides me

Restoring my soul. God guides me in righteous paths for God's name's sake.

Though I walk in the Valley of Death's-shadow, I do not fear evil, for you are with me:

Your rod and your staff comfort me.

You set a table before me in front of my tormentors; you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.

Only goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I will have a place in God's House to the End of Days.

Silent Meditations

Each congregant continues with the appropriate passages among the following.
 Personal meditations may also be added as desired.

In memory of a father:

May God remember the soul of my father who has gone to his eternal home. In loving testimony to his life I pledge charity to help perpetuate the ideals important to him. Through such deeds, and through prayer and remembrance, is his soul bound up in the bond of life. May I prove myself worthy of the gift of life and the many other gifts with which he blessed me. May these moments of meditation strengthen the ties that link me to his memory and to our entire family. May he rest forever in dignity and peace. Amen.

In memory of a mother:

May God remember the soul of my mother who has gone to her eternal home. In loving testimony to her life I pledge charity to help perpetuate ideals important to her. Through such deeds, and through prayer and remembrance, is her soul bound up in the bond of life. May I prove myself worthy of the gift of life and the many other gifts with which she blessed me. May these moments of meditation strengthen the ties that link me to her memory and to our entire family. May she rest forever in dignity and peace. Amen

In memory of a wife:

May God remember the soul of my wife who has gone to her eternal home. In loving testimony to her life I pledge charity to help perpetuate ideals important to her. Through such deeds, and through prayer and remembrance, is her soul bound up in the bond of life. Love is as strong as death; deep bonds of love are indissoluble. The memory of our companionship and love overcomes loneliness, for all that we shared still endures. May she rest forever in dignity and peace. Amen

יִזְכֹּר אֶלהִים נִשְּׁמֵת בַּעֲלִי שֶׁהָלֵךְ לְעוֹלָמוֹ. אָנָּא חְהִי נַפְשׁוֹ צְרוּרָה בִּצְרוֹר הַחַיִּים. וּתְהִי מְנוּחָתוֹ כָּבוֹד. שְּׂבַע שְׂמָחוֹת אֶת־פָּנֶיךְ. נְעִמוֹת בִּימִינְךְּ נֶצַח. אָמֵן:

May God remember the soul of my husband who has gone to his eternal home. In loving testimony to his life I pledge charity to help perpetuate ideals important to him. Through such deeds, and through prayer and remembrance, is his soul bound up in the bond of life. Love is as strong as death; deep bonds of love are indissoluble. The memory of our companionship and love overcomes loneliness, for all that we shared still endures. May he rest forever in dignity and peace. Amen

In memory of a son or brother:

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May God remember the soul of my son/brother who has gone to his eternal home. In loving testimony to his life I pledge charity to help perpetuate ideals important to him. Through such deeds, and through prayer and remembrance, is his soul bound up in the bond of life. I am grateful for the sweetness of his life and for all he accomplished in his lifetime. May he rest forever in dignity and peace. Amen

In memory of a daughter or sister:

יְזְכֹּר אֶלהִים נִשְּׁמַת בָּתִּי הָאֲהוּבָה מַחְמַד עֵינֵי שֶׁהָלְכָה לְעוֹלָמָה. אָנָּא תְּהִי נַפְּשָׁה צְרוּרָה בִּצְרוֹר הַחַיִּים. וּתְהִי מְנוּחָתָה כָּבוֹר. שְׂבַע שְׂמָחוֹת אֶת־פָּנֵיךּ. נְעִמוֹת בִּימִינְךּ נֶצַח. אָמֵן:

May God remember the soul of my beloved daughter/sister who has gone to her eternal home. In loving testimony to her life I pledge charity to help perpetuate ideals that were important to her. Through such deeds, and through prayer and remembrance, is her soul bound up in the bond of life. I am grateful for the sweetness of her life and for what she did accomplish. May she rest forever in dignity and peace. Amen

In memory of other relatives and friends:

יְזְכֹּר אֶלֹהִים נִשְּׁמוֹת קְרוֹבֵי וִידִידִי שֶׁהָלְכוּ לְעוֹלָמָם. אָנָּא תִּהְיֶינָה נַפְשׁוֹתִיהֶם צְרוֹרוֹת בִּצְרוֹר הַחַיִּים. וּתְהִי מְנוּחָתָם כָּבוֹד. שְׂבַע שְׂמָחוֹת אֶת־פָּנֶידְ. נְעִמוֹת בִּימִינְךְ נֶצַח. אָמֵן:

May God remember the soul of _____ and of all relatives and friends who have gone to their eternal home. In loving testimony to their lives I pledge charity to help perpetuate ideals that were important to them. Through such deeds, and prayer and remembrance, are their souls bound up in the bond of life. May these moments of meditation strengthen the ties that link me to their memory. May they rest forever in dignity and peace. Amen

In remembrance of the righteous:

יְזְכֹּר אֶלֹהִים נִשְׁמוֹת חֲסִידֵי אָמּוֹת הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהָלְכוּ לְעוֹלָמָם. אָנָא תִּהְיֶינָה נַפְשׁוֹתִיהֶם צְרוּרוֹת בִּצְרוֹר הַחַיִּים. וּתְהִי מְנוּחָתָם כָּבוֹד. שְׂבַע שְׂמָחוֹת אֶת־פָּנֶיךָ. נְעִמוֹת בִּימִינְךְ נֶצַח. אָמֵן:

May God remember the souls of the righteous men and women of other faiths and backgrounds who have gone to their eternal rest. In tribute to their memory I pledge to perform acts of charity and justice. May their souls be bound up in the bond of life as an enduring source of blessing. Amen.

A meditation:

Our Creator, the Eternal One, delights in life. Because of God's love for us, and because we are so few, each of us is a vital part of God's kingdom. Though we are only flesh and blood, we are irreplaceable. When one of the House of Israel dies, God's own grandeur is diminished. May the memory of all those we remember this day, in love, be an undying source of blessing to us, to our children, to all Israel, and to all humanity. Amen



THE LIGHT OF GOD IS THE SOUL OF MAN

Arnold Schwarzbart
Sam & Virginia Joffe Morrison
Isadore & Frieda Gruenberg Schwarzbart
David & Anne Morrison Tomlinson
Isaac & Annie Ross Joffe
Harry Isadore & Fannie Lena Silverman Moskowitz
Israel & Anna Gruenberg
Samuel & Blima Schwarzbart
Douglas & Margo Morrison
Jim Nash
Dan Goodman & David McNabb Abramson
Fred Horowitz

Mary Linda Schwarzbart

WE REMEMBER

We remember with love our dear ones who are gone from the physical world, but who live in our hearts and in our memories forever.

SAM & REBECCA FAYONSKY
FRED & REBECCA MILLEN
ABE & BABE FAY
MOLLY FAYONSKY
HARRY FAYONSKY
OSCAR & MINNIE ISAACS
HYMIE & SERKIE BILLIG
LOUIS & VERA MILLEN
MAJOR, SARAH, & STUART MILLEN

JAN & CAROLYN FAY PETER & LESLIE ROSEN

In Loving Memory

Harold & Sylvia Leibowitz
Albert & Romayne Eisenstadt
Gale & Shirley Hedrick
Mark Einstadt

Gale & Peggy Hedrick Michael & Mary Beth Eisenstadt

The memories and joy of my dear family and friends who are now gone will stay with me and comfort me forever.

Leonard Miller
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Jack Gorlin
Sigmund & Sarah Lieberman
Abraham & Esther Beerman
Peter Dreyer
Amanda Morris

Lee Miller Blotner

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Marilyn and Bernie Shorr
Rose and Michael Belaief
Sam and Ida Brown
Louis and Rhea Jacobs
Mabel Jacobs
Morris and Elsie Shorr
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Sam Piates and Mae Kinney
Stella Piates

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Michael;
Daniel, Selena, and Leo;
Rachel and Tyler

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Marilyn and Sol Greenfield
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Sarah and Aaron Friedland
Gussie and Jacob Brotman
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Paulette Shichrur
Betty Weisskopf
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Sam Greenfield
Harriet Dittersdorf
Winifred & Morton Schwartzbach
Milton Goldstein
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Philip Klein

Greenfield Brotman Family Gloria, Stuart, Daniel, Rachel, Gabriel

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Yechiel Mechel ben Aharon Kayla bat Caleb v' Chaya Sarah

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"For life is holy and every moment precious" -Jack Kerouac

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Joseph Shamitz

Mildred & Herman Shamitz

Rebecca & Herman Forstein

Cymmie & Lothar Davids

Kay and Larry Leibowitz

In Loving Memory of

Bonny Hasden Barsky
Bradley Louis Sturm
Dale and Leon Hasden
Fran and Mel Sturm
Flora and Max Hasden
Alice and Seymour Landis

God Gives and God Takes By Rabbi Allen S. Maller

God gives opportunities for us to love but not forever.

God takes opportunities away after a while.

So don't hesitate or delay or curse the darkness while remaining mired in sadness and hopelessness, because God gives; and God takes away.

Blessed be the name of the LORD.

But why bless the LORD when God takes away?

Because if the opportunities were always there, we would wait until the time was just right and never make the leap, and more of life would slip away.

So God gives and God takes; Blessed be God's name.

Melissa Sturm

In Loving Memory of

Green Family
Weinbren Family
Miller Family
Weinstein Family

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Magda & Paul Schulhof
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You are in our hearts always.

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To Live In This World

You must be able to do three things:

To love what is mortal; to hold it against your bones knowing your own life depends on it; and when the time comes to let it go, let it go.

Mary Oliver

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As long as we live, they too will live for they are now a part of us. as we remember them.

Jewish Prayer

With Blessed Memory Do We Recall Our Beloved Members Who Passed Away During the Past Year

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El Malei Rachamim-Memorial Prayer

אַל מָלֵא רַחֲמִים שׁוֹכֵן בַּמְרוֹמִים הַמְצֵא מְנוּחָה נְכוֹנָה מַחַת כַּנְפֵי הַשְּׁכִינָה בְּמַצְלוֹת קְדוֹשִׁים וּטְהוֹרִים כְּלְהַר הָרָקִיעַ מַוְהִירִים אֶת־נִשְׁמוֹת כָּל־אֵלֶה שֶׁהוְכַּרְנוּ הַיּוֹם לְבְרָכָה. אָנָּא בַּעַל הָרַחֲמִים תַּסְתִּירֵם בְּמַתֶר כְּנָפֵיךְ לְעוֹלְמִים. וְתִצְרוֹר בִּצְרוֹר הַחַיִּים אֶת־נִשְׁמוֹתֵיהֶם וְיָנְוֹחוּ עַל־מִשְׁכְּבוֹתָם בְּשָׁלוֹם. וְנֹאמֵר אָמֵן:

God, full of mercy, dwelling on high, find certain rest under the wings of Your Presence – amid the heights of the holy and pure who shine like the firmament – for the spirits of all these recalled today, as a blessing. Dear Master of Mercies, shelter them in the shelter of Your wings eternally. Bind their spirits to the bonds of all life, and may they rest peacefully in their lying places. So we say: "Amen."

Variation on Kaddish

This is the hall, this is the hush, this is the hour.

I rise to praise the Lord of all the living and the lonely dead.

I rise to praise: I raise my voice

I lift my head despite the sick,

Despite the dead, despite the cries of pain

I rise to praise my God.

I praise the God

whom all folk praise with separate song.

Who made the earth, the sky

The throng of those who raise

In prayerful phrase their souls to Him.

This holy hour, this hush, this lull

I yield to Him whose glory is beyond all praise

And bless His name and say Amen.

Ruth Brin

Mourner's Kaddish

Mourners and those observing Yahrzeit rise:

יִתְגַּדֵּל וְיִתְקַדֵּשׁ שְׁמֵה רַבָּא בְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כִרְעוּתִה, וְיַמְלִידְ מַלְכוּתֵה בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל־בֵּית יִשְּׂרָאֵל בַּעֲגָלָא וּבִזְמַן קָרִיב, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

Congregation and Mourner

יָהָא שְׁמָה רַבָּא מְבָרַך לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמִי עָלְמַיָּא.

Mourners:

יִתְבָּרֵךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדֵּר וְיִתְעֵּלֶּה וְיִתְהַלֵּל שְׁמֵה דְּקְדְשָׁא בְּרִיךְ הוּא, לְעֵלֶּא (לְעֵלֶּא) מִן כָּל־ בָּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא תֻשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנָחֲמֶתָא דַאֲמִירָן בְּעְלְמָא, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן. בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא תֻשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנָחֲמֶתָא דַאֲמִירָן בְּעְלְמָא, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

יָהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיֶּא וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל־יִשְּׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.

עוֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו הוּא יַצְשֶׂה שֲׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כְּל־יִשְּׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.

Mourners' Kaddish (Transliteration)

Mourners and those observing Yahrtzeit rise: Yit-ga-dal v'yit-ka-dash sh'mei ra-ba b'al-ma di-v'ra chi-ru-tei, v'yam-lich mal-chu-tei b'cha-yei-chon uv-yo-mei-chon uv-cha-yei d'chol beit yis-ra-el, ba'a-ga-la u-viz-man ka-riv, v'im'ru a-men.

Congregation and mourners:

Y'hei sh'mei ra-ba m'va-rach l'a-lam ul'al-mei al-ma-ya.

Mourners:

Yit-ba-rach v'yish-ta-bach, v'yit-pa'ar v'yit-ro-mam v'yit-na-seh, v'yit-ha-dar v'yit'a-leh v'yit'ha-lal sh'mei d'kud'sha, b'rich hu, l'ei-la min kol bir-cha-ta v'shi-ra-ta, tush-b'cha-ta v'ne-che-ma-ta da'a-mi-ran b'al-ma, v'im'ru a-men.

Y'hei shla-ma ra-ba min sh'ma-ya v'cha-yim a-lei-nu v'al kol-yis-ra-el, v'im'ru a-men.

O-seh sha-lom bim-ro-mav, hu ya'a-seh sha-lom a-lei-nu v'al kol-yis-ra-el, v'im-ru a-men.

Mourners' Kaddish (English)

Mourners and those observing Yahrtzeit rise:

Hallowed and enhanced may God be throughout the world of God's own creation. May the Holy One cause God's sovereignty soon to be accepted, during our life and the life of all Israel.

And let us say: Amen.

Congregation and mourners:

May God be praised through all time.

Mourners:

Glorified and celebrated, lauded and praised, acclaimed and honored, extolled and exalted may the Holy One be, far beyond all song and psalm, beyond all tributes which man can utter.

And let us say: Amen.

Let there be abundant peace from Heaven, with life's goodness and for us and for all the people Israel.

And let us say: Amen.

God who brings peace to the universe will bring peace to us and to all the people Israel.

And let us say: Amen.

God is our refuge and our strength.
-Psalm 46:1

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We wish each and every one of you a healthy and happy 5782.

Josh Hedrick, Cemetery Committee Chair

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