

**WITH LOVE AND REVERENCE
THE FOLLOWING YAHRZEITS ARE BEING OBSERVED THIS WEEK:**

| DECEMBER / 2021 – TEVET / 5782 | | BOARD/ROW | | |
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| 18 | 14 | Margaret Greiner Abe Kovan Louis Sender Reta Simrod Ida Katzman Morris Enkin Saul Bernstein Mariam Nicha Golish Iosif Sionov | Malka bas Moshe Avraham ben Moshe Arye Leib ben Yosef Rivka bas Avraham Chaya Idla bas Yosef Mendel Moshe ben Gershen Halevi Shlomo ben Pesach Mariam Nicha bas Volff Yosef ben Menachem Pesia Rochel bas Simcha Halevi Chaya Sorah bas Henoch Sara bas Avraham bas Efrayim Heibsh Mazal bas Markel Devorah bas Chaim | 7-3 4-4 10-2 4-1 10-3 10-3 10-6 |
| 19 | 15 | Bessie Kushner Irene Steinberg Sally Shaw Rose Williams Betty Katz Mazal Tov Sionov Doreen Kopstein | Yosef Leib ben Avrohom David ben Yehoshua Sara bas R' Mordechai David Ephraim ben Yehuda Hacoen Frayda bas Mayer Zisel bas Shalom Halevi Chai Devorah bas Shalom Halevi | * 6-3 9-5 |
| 20 | 16 | Joseph Lieb Tencer David Richardson Sarah Wunsch Dora Marks Frank Lyons Freda Joffe Sarah Parnes Ida Solway Rivka Kremer | Golda bas Leiber Halevi Rifka bas Yakov Hersch Libla bas Nechemnia Yitzchak Boruch ben Michoel Rifka bas Nota Pinkas Elka bas R' Shmuel Baruch bas Mayer | 2-3 * 6-3 9-5 |
| 21 | 17 | Goldie Brudner Rebecca Strominger Lorraine Mechanic | Zvi ben Yehuda Chana bas Avrohom Shmuel ben Michoel Yosef Noach ben Boruch Leib Shlomo Zev ben Tzvi Halevi Yitzchok ben Zoruch Yehoshua ben Aryeh | 7-4 8-4 10-6 7-2 3-3 1-8 |
| 22 | 18 | I. Bert Meretsky Riva Jacks Elsie Brandes Rabbi Isaac Stollman Mila Ripp | Shimon ben Moshe Hacoen Rochel bas Moshe | 3-1 9-5 |
| 23 | 19 | Harry Marks Hanna Jerzy Samuel Bookman Joseph Nathan Rosen Sam Joffe Irving Kirzner Dr. Henry Shanfield Sydney Sharpe | Shimon ben Moshe Hacoen Rochel bas Moshe | 3-1 9-5 |
| 24 | 20 | Shimon Safran Rose Katz | Shimon ben Moshe Hacoen Rochel bas Moshe | 3-1 9-5 |

**MAY THEIR NAMES AND MEMORIES REMAIN FOR A BLESSING AS THE MOURNERS RECITE THE KADDISH ON
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| SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2021 | 14 TEVET 5782 |
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Parshas Vayechi

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| | (And he Lived) | |

After 17 years in Egypt, Yaakov (Jacob) senses his days drawing to a close and summons Yosef. He has Yosef (Joseph) swear to bury him in the Machpela cave, the burial place of Adam and Chava, Avraham and Sara, Yitzchak and Rivka. Yaakov falls ill and Yosef brings to him his two sons, Ephraim and Menashe. Yaakov elevates Ephraim and Menashe to the status of his own sons, thus giving Yosef a double portion that removes the status of the first-born from Reuven. As Yaakov is blind from old age, Yosef leads his sons close to their grandfather. Yaakov kisses and hugs them. He had not thought to see his son Yosef again, let alone Yosef's children. Yaakov begins to bless them, giving precedence to Ephraim, the younger, but Yosef interrupts him and indicates that Menashe is the elder. Yaakov explains that he intends to bless Ephraim with his strong hand because Yehoshua (Joshua) will descend from him, and Yehoshua will be both the conqueror of Eretz Yisrael and the teacher of Torah to the Jewish People. Yaakov summons the rest of his sons in order to bless them as well. Yaakov's blessing reflects the unique character and ability of each tribe, directing each one in its unique mission in serving G-d.

Yaakov passes from this world at age 147. A tremendous procession accompanies his solemn funeral procession up from Egypt to his resting place in the cave of Machpela in Chevron. After Yaakov's passing, the brothers are concerned that Yosef will now take revenge on them. Yosef reassures them, even promising to support them and their families. Yosef lives out the rest of his years in Egypt, seeing Efraim's great-grandchildren. Before his death, Yosef foretells to his brothers that G-d will redeem them from Egypt. He makes them swear to bring his bones out of Egypt with them at that time. Yosef passes away at the age of 110 and is embalmed. Thus ends Sefer Bereishet, the first of the five Books of the Torah. Chazak!

WEEKLY SERVICES

| DAY | DATE | MORNING & EVENING | |
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| SATURDAY | DEC 18 | 9:00 A.M. | Havdalah 5:48 pm |
| SUNDAY | DEC 19 | 8:30 A.M. | Breakfast to follow morning minyan |
| MONDAY | DEC 20 | | Zoom Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 pm |
| FRIDAY | DEC 24 | | Candles 4:47 pm |

GOOD HEALTH WISHES: A SPEEDY RECOVERY



REFUAH SHLAIMAH: to all those who are not well at this time.

Please notify the office of any congregant and/or family member who is ill or hospitalized. Your call will ensure that our clergy can follow up with calls and special prayers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES



Happy Birthday Wishes to Sharon Strosberg on Monday, December 20th.

CONDOLENCES



Condolences to the family of Jerry Whiteman (AH). The graveside funeral service was held on Tuesday, December 14th, 2021 at the Shaar Hashomayim Cemetery. Rabbi Sholom Galperin officiated.



Condolences to Rose Langer and family on the passing of beloved husband, father and grandfather, Jack Langer (AH). The funeral service was held on Monday, December 13th, 2021 at Bathurst Lawn Cemetery in Toronto.

May their memories be for a blessing.

REMINDER: ZOOM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING



The next Shaar Hashomayim Board of Directors Meeting will be held via Zoom **THIS Monday, December 20th, 2021** at **7:00 pm**. Check your email for your invite.

FAMILY MATCH PROGRAM 2021



Again this year, Jonathan Bruneau is seeking families interested in being matched with a struggling family. Providing sustenance for a family can start at \$200 (tax receipts can be issued) for the entire family, plus whatever new clothing, unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items you wish to provide.

Grocery gift cards are an excellent format for making a gift and supporting a family. If interested, please contact Congregation Shaar Hashomayim at shaar@mnsi.net / 519-256-3123 and we will notify Jonathan Bruneau **until THIS Monday, December 20th, 2021**. *If donating by cheque, please make payable to The Salvation Army Windsor Centre of Hope.

2021 DONATIONS



A reminder that only payments for dues or donations received by **Friday, December 31st, 2021** will be included in your 2021 tax receipt. The office will be open **9am to 12pm** on **Friday, December 31st**.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES



The Shaar Hashomayim office hours and closures will be as follows:

- Friday, December 24th, 2021 ~ Office Open 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
- Monday, December 27th, 2021 ~ Office Closed
- Tuesday, December 28th, 2021 ~ Office Closed
- Friday, December 31st, 2021 ~ Office Open 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
- Monday, January 3rd, 2022 ~ Office Closed

KIDDUSH



The Congregation is invited to the Charles Zalev Social Hall for Kiddush following the service. The Kiddush this Shabbat is sponsored by the Shaar Hashomayim Sisterhood.

SUNDAY MORNING MINYAN BREAKFAST



There will be a Sunday Morning Minyan this Sunday at 8:30 am. Breakfast will follow the service and is sponsored by Myra Katz Brachfeld & Sons in memory of beloved grandmother and great-grandmother, Ida Katzman (AH).

Yahrzeit Plaques



Memorialize a loved one.

Purchase a Yahrzeit Plaque to be mounted on the Synagogue Memorial Board.

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How will you Assure Jewish Tomorrows? Leave a Legacy today. Consider Planned Giving—because the need will be there even after we are gone. Your support will guarantee the Shaar will live on.



Joke

Airman Cohen was assigned to advise new recruits about GI Insurance. Captain Smith noticed that he had almost a 100% record for sales. Amazed, the captain stood in the back of the room and listened to Cohen's pitch.

Cohen explained the basics of GI Insurance, then said, "If you have GI Insurance and go into battle and are killed, the government has to pay \$200,000 to your beneficiaries. If you don't have GI Insurance and you go into battle and get killed, the government only has to pay a maximum of \$6,000."

"So you tell me," he concluded, "who do you think they're going to send into battle first?"