



Betty Brand

January 30, 1925 - January 22, 2020

Betty Brand, 94, of Overland Park, Kansas, died Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at Brookdale Senior Living, Overland Park, Kansas.

Mrs. Brand was born in Kansas City, Missouri, the daughter of Samuel and Jennie Brown and sister of Nathan Brown.

Her husband of 54 years, Arthur Brand, died in 1997.

Mrs. Brand was a loving and devoted wife, mother of her four children, grandmother of four grandchildren and great grandmother to her three great grandchildren.

Mrs. Brand is survived by her son, Bruce Brand, her daughters Pamela and Marcia Brand and her daughter and son-in-law, Toba and Stephen Maslan; her granddaughters Shira Wajcman and Maya Brand, her grandson Evan Gundlach, granddaughter and grandson-in-law, Sarah and Dan Stras; and her great grandchildren, Jeremiah, Samantha and Eitan Wajcman.

Betty and Arthur Brand were leaders in the community throughout their lives. Among other accomplishments, she served as president of the Women's Division of the Jewish Federation of Greater Kansas City, B'nai B'rith, and Beth Shalom Sisterhood. She was actively involved in selling Israel Bonds, receiving its Eleanor Roosevelt Humanitarian Award. She was also acknowledged as the Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy Auxiliary 'Woman of the Year.'

Mrs. Brand's passion for the arts led her to establish the Arthur Kraft Memorial Scholarship for the Visual Arts in 2007. An artist in her own right, she shared her personal works in a one-woman show at the age of 85.

The funeral will be held on Friday, January 24, 2020 at 2:30pm at Louis Memorial Chapel; burial in Mt. Carmel Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Beth Shalom Synagogue, the Arthur Kraft Memorial Scholarship for the Visual Arts or a charity of one's choice.

Events

JAN **Funeral** 02:30PM

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The Louis Memorial Chapel

6830 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO, US, 64131

JAN **Shiva** 04:57PM

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will be with services at Beth Shalom Synagogue

14200 Lamar, Overland, KS, US, 66223

Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Louis Memorial Chapel - January 24 at 02:11 PM



“ Betty and I were inseparable as we were growing up. We walked to school together. I have so many great memories of her. My family sends sympathies to the whole Brand family.
Rae Jaben
Atlanta, GA

Jan Jaben-Eilon - February 04 at 01:12 PM



“ I am saddened to hear of Betty's passing. She was a dear friend to my mother and our family. I loved Betty's sweet demeanor and grace. I have fond memories of her throughout my life. She was such a positive influence in my life. I will miss her greatly.
My condolences to her family. Thank you for sharing her with us.

Marian Kritzler
Denver, Co.

Marian K Kritzler - January 25 at 11:08 AM



“ Marcia and family,

Carol Saffran Steele, college friend of Marcia's at MU. My memory of your mom was stopping by your family home on a Friday afternoon. She was cleaning the house in preparation for Shabbat. She may have been baking a chicken. She was very nice and full of energy, and cute too.

Please accept my condolences on her passing, may her memory be of a blessing.

Respectfully,
Carol Steele

Carol Steele - January 24 at 05:30 PM



“ Toba and family, Phillip and I were so sorry to hear of the passing of your Mother. May her memory be for a blessing. Barbara & Phillip Goodbinder

Barbara House Goodbinder - January 24 at 04:35 PM



“ I was so very sorry to hear of your mother's death. You have my deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences on your great loss.
Elinor Eisemann

Elinor Eisemann - January 24 at 10:49 AM



“ Pam - I am so sorry about your beautiful mother. I was involved on a project with her years ago and picked her up at her home off Somerset Drive. I often think about when she invited me in and showed me where she did yoga in her kitchen. She was a lovely, beautiful woman and was always nice to me. You were a wonderful daughter and I enjoyed visiting with you when you sat on the porch with her at Village Shalom. The picture you chose shows your mom's sweet smile I will always remember. My thoughts are with you Pam. Nancy Hipsh Wolff

Nancy Wolff - January 23 at 07:43 AM



“ Dear Family,
Stan and I are so very sorrowed to learn of Betty's passing. We have known her and her dear Arthur for many years and always admired them and their generosity to our Jewish community. Without their family, there probably would not be a Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy which is a huge part of not only our Jewish community, but also, the Greater Kansas City community. They were very special people and may their memories always be for a blessing. Betty will be sincerely missed.
Most sincerely, Joyce Zeldin

Joyce Zeldin - January 22 at 09:39 PM



“ Betty was a part of my life from a very young age. She was so dear to my mother, Rose Levine, and I have very special memories of her and so many members of her extended family as I was growing up. She was just lovely--beautiful, sweet, kind, full

of life, and she always seemed to have a smile on her face. Besides devoting so much of her time and energy, along with Arthur, to the Jewish community and synagogue causes and contributing her artistic talent, she was a generous patron of all the arts, and Tibor (and I) delighted in seeing her at concerts and other musical events, which she supported enthusiastically. My heartfelt condolences to her family, of whom she was so proud. Her memory will always be for a blessing. With love,
Carla Klausner

carla klausner - January 22 at 05:49 PM



“ To all Betty's family, my deepest condolences to everyone.

What a beautiful lady inside and out. Betty always had a wonderful smile on her face and always asked how everyone in the family was. When she asked it was with genuine sincerity.

My family and I enjoyed spending so many Shabbat's, Rosh Hashanah's and Yom Kippur's when I was growing up at my grandparents house (Aaron and Bessie-Puritz Kars) and also at Betty and Arthur's and the Puritz's.

These are treasured times and treasured memories.

Betty certainly left her mark on this world and will be truly missed.

May her memories always be if blessings.

-The late Sam & Marion Rosen's daughter,
Helene Rosen
(Las Vegas)

Helene Rosen - January 22 at 05:28 PM



“ Betty was a beautiful women. Together with her husband, Arthur, of blessed memory, they inspired and nurtured our community. They provided thoughtful leadership for Beth Shalom and our entire community.

May her memory always serve as blessing.

Stewart and Esther Stein - January 22 at 03:56 PM



“ I'll miss a very good friend. I regret having missed the opportunity to say goodbye due to illness. I send my heartfelt condolences to the entire family. Sol Koenigsberg



“ To the Brand Family,

My heart is very heavy learning of Betty's passing. I feel blessed to have had a chance to meet and work with her as well as with you all. I will always remember her spunky spirit fondly and not easily forget her determination. My thoughts are with you all as you remember her life and share her memories.

Jill Craft - January 22 at 03:45 PM



“ The Brand family was integral to the life of our family, and Betty was a shining star. She was kind, talented and devoted to her family and Jewish culture in Kansas City. When she was able, we would meet for breakfast when I was in KC to visit family. Betty was family and she will live on in my memory and my heart. Betty's life has been a blessing to all who knew her.

I've attached a photo from Arthur and Betty's wedding day. From left to right back row: Mildred Straahs (my mother) Betty Brand and her daughter Marilyn Brand, Sydney Schenck, Bessie Puritz, Arthur Brand and his bride Betty Brown Brand, Harry Puritz, Frances Brand Levitch and front row Marcus Brand and Carl Puritz



Marcia Kritzler-Egeland - January 22 at 03:11 PM



“ Pamela Rogozenski Rosenberg lit a candle in memory of Betty Brand



Pamela Rogozenski Rosenberg - January 22 at 02:52 PM



“ For years I had a close friendship with Betty. I sold her a few cars, and we would talk for a long time...every time. Betty knew my family, and I felt I knew hers, just from our talks. What a wonderful and kind woman she was.

Randy Fritzshall - January 22 at 02:52 PM



“ I am so deeply saddened to read about Betty's death. She was a wonderful, generous, loving and beautiful woman both inside and out! I will dearly miss her and may her memory be for a blessing!

Judy Lanes - January 22 at 02:50 PM



“ Toba, Shira and family,
Please accept my condolences in memory of the lovely lady who I remember as always sharp, smiling, positive and gracious.



Rita Shapiro - January 22 at 02:48 PM



“ I was thinking of dear Betty just yesterday when I saw there was an art exhibit of Arthur Kraft's work at the Glore Museum. had the pleasure of working with Betty on an exhibit of Kraft's work several years ago at the Albrecht Kemper Museum in St. Joseph, MO. I loved Betty's tenacity. When the KC Star wasn't giving the Kraft exhibit the attention she thought it deserved, see headed down to the Star to discuss things with the publisher. I'm sure Betty's beloved Arthur is waiting for her with open arms.

Vicky W. Mayer - January 22 at 03:17 PM



“ I send my condolences to the family. Betty was a remarkable woman. I did Yoga with Betty and I had some painting classes with her as well. I truly enjoyed her spirit and her kindness.

Barbara Kusnetzky - January 22 at 04:42 PM



“ Betty was sweetness personified. Her smile and kindness warmed our hearts. Sending hugs.

Merilyn Berenbom - January 22 at 04:58 PM



“ Betty was a very special lady! She will be missed. Sending my condolences

Beth Koenigsberg

Beth Koenigsberg - January 22 at 06:55 PM



“ Dear Toba and all the Brands,

I just read about Betty's passing. I am so very sorry my thoughts are with you. She. was a great friend my first friend when I moved to Kansas

Please accept my deepest sympathy.

Kathy Koltai

kathy koltai - January 25 at 10:45 AM



“ Sending deepest sympathy to the entire family.

Berry was one of those women whom one never forgets. She made an impact on every individual whose life she touched.

May her memory be ever for a blessing.

Sarah Kraft Small

Deerfield, IL

Sarah Small - January 25 at 08:41 PM



“ Betty was a very special woman, always with a smile eager to help you, as a past president of Sisterhood she was a mentor to me when I became President. Always giving and willing to help by taking on chairmanships so our calendar for Beth Shalom would be a fund raiser. No one could ever say no to her, she was so gracious to all people. Betty will be missed by all that knew her. May her memory be a blessing to her family and all her friends.

With deepest sympathy to the family.

Carol and Marvin Goldstein

Carol Goldstein - January 26 at 10:11 AM