



## Jack Blackman

January 4, 1919 - July 13, 2011

Jack Blackman, 92 years young, passed away Wed, July 13, 2011. Funeral services will be held at 1:00pm Friday July 15th at The Louis Memorial Chapel, 6830 Troost Ave. Burial will be at Mount Carmel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Congregation Ohev Sholom. As a young man, Jack was a member of numerous Jewish organizations including Nordonian AZA. As an adult, he was a longtime member of B'nai B'rith and other civic organizations. Mr. Blackman's career started out after serving in the army during WW II. He was in business with his two brothers, Abe and Dave for many years owning a grocery distributing business, as well as a chain of independent drug stores. In the late 70's he went into a new distributing business with his son, Joel, remaining active in that business until 2002. Jack loved his synagogue – Ohev Sholom – he worked tirelessly as a fundraiser to build their sanctuary in the 60's. He was a multi time president and served as an ongoing fundraiser and advisor. Throughout his career and personal endeavors, he was a well known and always sought after story teller, having a wonderful gift of humor. He loved photography and golf and writing as well.

Jack leaves behind his wife of 63 years, Muriel of Leawood, Ks., daughter and son-in-law, Sydney and Mike Katz of Leawood, Ks, daughter-in-law, Kristy Blackman of Leawood, Ks. He was preceded in death by his son Joel, as well as his brothers, Abe, Leon and David. Surviving sisters-in-law include Sue Blackman of Overland Park and Ida Mae Blackman of Lenexa, Kansas. His beloved grandchildren include Todd Blackman of Portland OR; Julia Katz of Chicago, IL; and Robert (Ruvein) and Liv Katz of Jerusalem, Israel. He was proud of his three great grandsons – Yehuda, Yerucham Tzvi and Mordechai Katz, all of Jerusalem, Israel. The family will be sitting Shiva at the home of Sydney Katz on Sunday and Monday evenings at 7:30pm. Please call funeral home for additional information.

# Comments

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“ Sydney, Muriel, and family, I am deeply saddened to hear about Jack's passing, and the profound loss you must be feeling. I have fond memories of times our families spent together during elementary, Jr High and High School and at Ohev Sholom. Jack was an outstanding individual and a great man, and he will be missed by all who knew him. Sincerely, Marlene Kritzler

**Marlene Kritzler** - July 15, 2011 at 10:58 PM

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“ You're in our thoughts and prayers in this time of need. Jack will be greatly missed.  
Tate, Sharon and Melinda.

**Tate Bush Sharon Sigman Melinda Watkins** - July 15, 2011 at 09:26 AM

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“ John and I remember you walking over while we were building our house. You gave us a lot of help. We will remember our visits at the house, and especially in the backyard. It was so fun. Muriel would call us to come over for the latest opera and then we would spend the best evening. You will truly be missed. We will love you forever.

**Edna Siemens** - July 14, 2011 at 05:15 PM

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“ Jack was a friend and great neighbor of my mother's. I have a lump in my throat. He was a wonderful man. My mom and I were just getting ready to call him to see if we could stop by and say hi. I am so sorry we didn't.

I will never forget the fabulous jokes he told me in the backyard, our dual love for opera and the fabulous photos he took at my wedding.

Jack, you are the best!! You will be missed...

**Jayne Siemens** - July 14, 2011 at 03:33 PM

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“ Dear Blackman family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. I have some really great memories of all of us together in Corinth Hills and at Ohev. Jack was a wonderful man with an outgoing personality and a great sense of humor. He will be missed.  
Love,  
Marcia

**Marcia Kritzler-Egeland** - July 13, 2011 at 07:52 PM

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“ I'm so sorry for your loss, you are in my thoughts and prayers.

**Farrah D. Reed** - July 13, 2011 at 05:51 PM

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“ We are so sorry about your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you grieve his passing.

**Carol & Leonard Glass** - July 13, 2011 at 03:36 PM