



Ruth Arlene Berger

July 30, 1930 - July 1, 2019

Ruth Arlene Berger 88, of Prairie Village, KS, passed away peacefully on July 1, 2019 surrounded by the love of her family. Ruth was born in Kansas City, MO on July 30, 1930 to Hyman and Bertha Fishman. She was raised in Kansas City, MO and moved to Prairie Village, KS after her marriage to Robert Morris in 1950. She and Bob raised three children together in Prairie Village prior to his death in 1965. Ruth married Zane Berger in 1968 and remained his loving wife and best friend until his death in 2013.

Ruth went to work for the Kansas City Jewish Chronicle in the late 1960's and served the newspaper loyally as their advertising manager until her retirement after over forty years. Ruth was very active in the Kansas City Jewish community, Beth Shalom and Beth Torah synagogues, and was an early and longtime member of Meadowbrook Country Club.

Ruth's proudest accomplishment, however, was her family. Ruth gave every bit of herself to the family she loved and those lessons will always be a gift. She was preceded in death by her parents Hyman and Bertha, husbands Robert Morris and Zane Berger, daughters Alana Morris and Carla Dozier, brother Jerry Fishman and is survived by her son Jeffrey Morris and daughter in law Ann Morris of Austin, TX; granddaughter Robyn Fulks and grandson in law Bradley Fulks of Kansas City, MO; grandson Brooks Dozier of Chicago, IL; granddaughters Madeline Morris and Lily Morris of Austin, TX; and her beloved great granddaughter Claire Fulks.

Funeral services will be held Friday, July 5 at 10:30 a.m. at The Louis Memorial Chapel, with burial immediately following at Mount Carmel Cemetery. The family will then receive condolences at a reception following the graveside service at 2:00 p.m. at Leawood Town Village, 4400 W. 115th Street, Leawood, KS. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Planned Parenthood or the Kansas City Hospice & Palliative Care in Ruth's memory.

Cemetery

Mt. Carmel Cemetery

5529 Ditzler Avenue

Raytown, MO,

Events

JUL **Funeral** 10:30AM

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The Louis Memorial Chapel

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

Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Louis Memorial Chapel - July 05 at 09:35 AM



“ Anybody who grew up at the Jewish Community Center in the 1940's and into the 1950's, would know Ruth Fishman (later Ruth Morris and Ruth Berger).

As she was in later life, Ruth was always a "good looker". She dressed nicely, and usually had a nice smile. This was the way she is remembered by those of us who were her friends in the 1940's and later.

And, if I'm not mistaken, Ruth was the last connection to the staff of the KC JEWISH CHRONICLE, that worked under the editorship and ownership of Milton Firestone and his wife, Bea Firestone (later Bea Wasserstrom).

Yes, there was always that connection, to the rather "heady" days under the Firestone family.

Ha-makom Y'neichem etchem b'toch sh'ar avelei Tziyon V'rushalayim. May God bring comfort to those who grieve the loss of loved ones, and may the memory of Ruth A. Berger be a blessing to her family and to the world.

Very Sincerely,
M J Rosenbloom (Maynard)

M J ROSENBLOOM - July 15 at 01:49 PM



“ I worked for Ruth in my first job out of college!
I can't thank her enough for being my mentor, other Jewish Mother and good friend!
She taught me so much about life both personally and professionally. I feel blessed to have had her touch my life!
My heart goes out to her family and friends!

Barbara Smith - July 09 at 02:23 AM



“ I met Ruth in 2015 when through a friend of hers. I took Ruth to grocery shopping or general shopping. Quickly the business relationship became a great friendship, we were always laughing at the price choppers isles, stein mart or Kohl's. Ruth taught me to love others a little bit more, always have a listening ear and share laughter with others. I hold fond memories of Ruth especially her matchmaking skills in the hope of find a husband for me....oh! Those will be shared and bring a smile to me as long as I live. My life was enriched because Ruth was apart of it. Jeff, Anne, Robyn and the rest of the family, please accept my deepest sympathy.

Harriet Sore - July 05 at 09:06 AM



“ 4 files added to the album Ruth



Jeff - July 05 at 07:26 AM



“ Jeff and Ann, todays service was a beautiful tribute to to wonderful woman your mom was. My deepest sympathy to your family.

Sherri Horwitz Hermanson - July 05 at 03:09 PM



“ We would often stop to visit Ruthie in her apartment on our way upstairs to visit my mom, Charlene Meltzer--especially when Ruth left her apt door ajar. Char and Ruth had lots of "I remember when" conversations to pass the time while sitting in the lobby at Brookdale/Town Village. Ruth was always smiling had nice things to say about everyone. We will miss her. Condolences to the family.
Ron and Carole (Meltzer) Goggin

Carole Goggin - July 04 at 07:41 PM



“ Ruth and I were good friends and fellow journalists. She was a very special person and friend. I have moved from Kansas City in the recent months. I will miss Ruth. Condolences to all the family.

Sandy Czarlinsky

Sandy - July 04 at 03:05 PM



“ I loved Ruth! Carla and I were close friends from BBYO days and I spent many nights at the Berger house. I visited Ruth at Town Village recently, I know she is now at peace with her daughters and husband.
Sherri Horwitz Hermanson

Sherri Hermanson - July 04 at 11:52 AM



“ I first knew Ruth when I advertised with the Chronicle, but came to know her much better for many years when we were both nail salon clients of Chris. Ruth was a wonderful lady and I liked her very much.

Tanya Palmer - July 04 at 10:41 AM



“ Jeff, Ann, Brooks, Robyn and family. I worked for Ruth for many years. She, more than anyone I know in my life, taught me the meaning of strength, courage , resilience and determination.

Ruth over came more in a lifetime than most people could even imagine enduring. She did it with grace and strength and a giving and compassionate soul. I admired her sense of humor, her sense of fashion and her grit determination. She loved her family fiercely and talked about you all often.

There are not many Ruth's in this world. I am grateful our paths crossed. She was a mentor, a mother figure to me and a friend.

May her memory be a blessing.

Cathy Rubin Swalley

Cathy Rubin Swalley - July 03 at 08:09 PM



“ I loved Ruth. I am glad I was able to chat with her recently at Village Shalom. She was always one of my favorite moms. Condolences to all the family!

Russel Mann - July 03 at 10:27 AM



“ Jeff- We're so sorry to hear of Ruth's passing. We remember her with smiles and interests in others. As a child, I loved that she let us jump on the bed when I spent the night over. We won't be able to attend her funeral because we'll be attending another funeral in St. Louis.
Please know that we send our sympathies to you. Warmly, Ellen and Larry Polsky

Ellen and Larry Polsky - July 03 at 12:37 AM



“ Jeff, so sorry to hear about your mom. You dad and mine spent time in the hospital together back in '64 or '65 and then you and I were in AZA together. May the memory be for a blessing.

Roger Klein - July 07 at 08:45 PM



“ I was so lucky to have had one of my dearest friends as my down stairs neighbor. I will treasure the memory of our special time and conversation and never forget "my Ruthie".
May God Bless You. I miss you. With love, Patsy

Patsy Dunn Shanberg - July 03 at 12:30 AM



“ Ruth was my ad sales rep from the Jewish Chronicle in a past career and I thought the world of her! Always smiling and pleasant, she lit up our office when she stopped by. My deepest condolences to her family - she was a lovely lady.

David Dill - July 03 at 12:12 AM



“ Brooks and Robyn, sending condolences, and remembering how sweet and lovely were both your grandmother and your mom.

karin lichterman and Mark Edelman - July 02 at 05:53 PM



“ To the family of Ruth Berger, I was an employee of Ruth's during the 80's. Ruth was always immaculate groomed and so very very stylish always. I have fond memories of great lunches together with her girls that worked for her and sneaking in some fashion shopping when we could. My condolence to the family

sharon O'Neal Levin - July 02 at 05:13 PM



“ Sending heartfelt condolences to the family. Ruth was a gracious and kind woman. I have many fond memories from my youth and throughout her professional years. May her memory be a blessing. Alan Edelman

Alan S Edelman - July 02 at 04:08 PM



“ Walter Fink lit a candle in memory of Ruth Arlene Berger



Walter Fink - July 02 at 03:25 PM



“ Our deepest condolences to the Berger family, Kessler family, relatives, & friends in KC. Our childhood visits, & relationship is very special to all of us in the Twin Cities. We LOVE you Ruth, Joey (Fishman) Fischman

Joey Fischman - July 04 at 02:33 PM



“ Condolences to Ruth's family. Ruth was such a lovely lady, I enjoyed being with her at Brookdale.
Charlene Pollack

Charlene Pollack - July 02 at 02:46 PM