

SHABBAT VAYECHI

Jacob lives the final 17 years of his life in Egypt. Before his passing, he asks Joseph to take an oath that he will buryhim in the Holy Land. He blesses Joseph's two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim, elevating them to the status of his own sons as progenitors of tribes within the nation of Israel.

The patriarch desires to reveal the end of days to his children, but is prevented from doing so.

Jacob blesses his sons, assigning to each his role as a tribe: Judah will produce leaders, legislators and kings; priests will come from Levi, scholars from Issachar, seafarers from Zebulun, schoolteachers from Simeon, soldiers from Gad, judges from Dan, olive-growers from Asher, and so on. Reuben is rebuked for "confusing his father's marriage bed"; Simeon and Levi, for the massacre of Shechem and the plot against Joseph. Naphtali is granted the swiftness of a deer, Benjamin the ferociousness of a wolf, and Joseph is blessed with beauty and fertility.

A large funeral procession consisting of Jacob's descendants, Pharaoh's ministers, the leading citizens of Egypt and the Egyptian cavalry accompanies Jacob on his final journey to the Holy Land, where he is buried in the Machpelah Cave in Hebron.

Joseph, too, dies in Egypt, at the age of 110. He, too, instructs that his bones be taken out of Egypt and buried in the Holy Land, but this would come to pass only with the Israelites' exodus from Egypt many years later. Before his passing, Joseph conveys to the Children of Israel the testament from which they will draw their hope and faith in the difficult years to come: "G-d will surely remember you, and bring you up out of this land to the land of which He swore to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob."

Birthday

December

24 Florence Rothschild

28 Sarah Klein

Anniversary

December

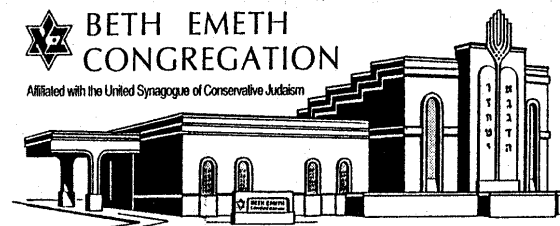
26 Nelson & Kat Magedman

Wishing you a very Happy Birthday and a Happy Anniversary

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Rabbi Tracee Rosen

Candle lighting 5:06 p.m.

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December 21, 2018

Friday Night Services

Services 6:30 p.m.

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December 22, 2018

Saturday Morning

Services 9:00 a.m.

Genesis 49:27-50:26

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Kings 2:1-12

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Kiddush sponsored by the Congregation

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The following Yahrzeits will be observed during the coming week. Kaddish may also be said on Friday evening & Saturday morning December 21, 2018 & December 22, 2018. El Malei Rachamim, the memorial prayer, may be said on the Monday or Thursday preceding the Yahrzeit at the 8:00 am Minyan.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Tevet</u>	<u>Deceased</u>	<u>Relation-ship</u>	<u>Observant</u>
21	13	Wilbur Madvig	Father	Michael Madvig
22	14	Chaya Ben Yosef	Mother	Shoshana Perlmutter
23	15	Esther Karofsky	Aunt	Rhoda Lessner
23	15	Esther Karofsky	Aunt	Marilyn Newberg
24	16	Dorothy Nulman	Mother	Charlotte Rubinoff
25	17	Rose Rothenberg	Grand-Mother	Owen Segall
26	18	Anna Silverman	Mother	A. David Silverman
27	19	Bertram Barnett	Father	Wendy Engel
27	19	Hyman Kornheiser	Father	Beverly Merchant
28	20	Rose Kantor	Mother	Solomon Kantor
28	20	Julius Merchant	Father-in-law	Beverly Merchant

Prayer for healing

We wish "Refuah Shelemah" - a speedy recovery - to congregants, family and friends who are ill.

We encourage you to call or visit with them and wish them well.

Ailene Barkhoff, Barry Bookman, James Clapp, Peter Enneking, Cindy Frami. Keren bat Maya Rut, Irv Glorit, Maya Goldberg, Thomas Hannagian, Barry Himmelfarb, Dovid Ben Itchok, Sheldon & Judith Koven, Don Lehrer, Marc Levenshus, Samantha Leznek, Alissa Leznek, Peggy Markowitz, Michele Moschel, Joel Moskowitz, Barbara & Harry Newman, Sy Perlis, Gerald Rich, Golda Leah bat Malkah Miriam, Charlotte Rubinoff, Cyrene Schochet, Elaine Schwartz, A. David Silverman, Joyce Stern, Robert Summer, Charlie Tarnor, Randy Thomas, Marcia Turkiewicz, Richard Wasserman

Mi Shebeirach, by Debbie Friedman

***Mi she-bei-rach a-vo-tei-nu
M'kor ha'bra-cha l'i-mo-tei-nu
May the source of strength
Who blessed the ones before us,
Help us find the courage
To make our lives a blessing,
And let us say, Amen***

***Mi she-bei-rach i-mo-tei-nu
M'kor ha-brach-cha l'a-votei-nu
Bless those in need of healing
With R'fu-a sh'lei-ma
The renewal of body,
The renewal of spirit
And let us say,
AMEN***