

Sallye Waldman December 30, 1929 - October 10, 2018

SallyeWaldman was born December 30,1929, in Port Arthur, Texas. She was the daughter of Sophie and Dave Bagelman. She died October 10, 2018 in Houston, Texas. Sallye is survived by her husband of 68 years, Carl Waldman; her daughter, Suzi Gerstenhaber and her husband Elliot: her son Steve Waldman and his wife Gayle; and her sister Elaine Helfman. She was predeceased by her daughter Bari Waldman Mintz, and her parents, Sophie and Dave Bagelman. Sallye is also survived by her grandchildren: Jaffray Getz and husband Chris; Joshua Mintz and wife Emily; Alix Wren and husband Greg; Brooke Reichek and husband Jonathan; Andy Gerstenhaber and wife Farin; Matthew Waldman; Amanda Sherman and husband Logan. Sallye is also survived by her great-grandchildren: Ellie and Lauren Getz; Benson and Alec Mintz; Avery, Lainey, and Davis Wren; Ethan, Reese, and Reagan Reichek; Hailey and April Gerstenhaber; and Aimee Sherman.

Sallye and her sister Elaine were raised in the difficult years of the Depression and World War II, but she never felt deprived of anything. Her loving parents Sophie and Dave provided for her every want and need. Even when her mother Sophie's health failed, taking her away to convalesce for a year, her father Dave provided extra love and attention to his girls.

Sallye attended Thomas Jefferson High School, where she marched in the Drum and Bugle Corps. Upon graduating, she left for the University of Texas, and the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority, but college life was not for Sallye, so she returned home to Port Arthur. A tall beauty, Sallye soon drew the attention of many suitors. Sallye was set up on a blind date with a tall, handsome attorney named Carl Waldman. The match did not take, but a second blind date was arranged, and that led to love and marriage.

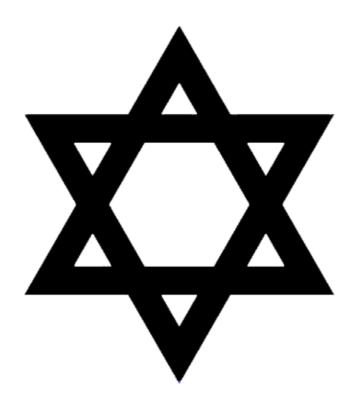
Sallye and Carl set up house in a little apartment on McFadden, where they welcomed their first child, Suzanne Karen, into the world. Sallye was a doting mother to Suzi, and soon, Bari Joan came along, and the family was complete. But a few years later...surprise! Along came Steve! Now there were five of them, and soon, Carl moved Sallye and the kids into a new home on Edson Drive. Sallye turned that home into a showplace. Sallye always had an eye for style, dressing up, and appearing in numerous runway shows as a model. But home design was her art form, and the Edson home was her palette. She and a series of interior decorators brought furniture and decorative items from around the world to give the Edson home a beauty that was unsurpassed. Sallye was a style leader in everything she did, and she always insisted that she, and her family, look and act appropriately.

Sallye was raised in a time when most women kept their politics to themselves. As time went by, Sallye grew more interested in politics, and she became extremely vocal about her liberal views, albeit only to family. As her children grew up and had children of their own, Sallye allowed her sense of humor to show, and Sallye was hilarious.

Sallye was never superstitious, except when she was (knock on wood, toot-toot, tell the pilot to fly carefully), and she only had favorites when you were alone with her. Sallye could be extremely strong, particularly when she was protecting those she loved, and she had charisma that could only be experienced and not explained. Sallye was a force of nature, whose grandchildren and great-grandchildren called "Sallye," with an "e" of course, because what else would you call her?

Sallye and her family are immensely grateful to the caretakers who became part of our family, including Bridgette Henry, Tawana "Tee" Henry, Stephanie Hooks, Kelly Barron, and the staff at the Villa D'Este. Sallye also was very grateful to Dr. Eric Bernicker, and his team of health care professionals at The Methodist Hospital, who treated Sallye with loving care and dignity.

However, Sallye's greatest love was her husband, Carl. The two of them were always in each others' hearts, and even as the end drew near, the sight of them holding hands was a touching tribute to the enduring power of love. When Carl found out that Sallye could receive no further healing treatments, he told her, "We will have whatever life we have left, and then we will be together forever."



The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;
for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

יִתְגַּדֵּל וְיִתְקַדֵּשׁ שְׁמֵה רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כִּרְעוּתֵה, וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵה בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בַּעֲגָלָא וּכִזְמַן קָרִיב וִאִמָרוּ אָמֵן:

Yit-ga-dal v'yit-ka-dash sh'mei ra-ba. B'al-ma di-v'ra chi-ru-tei, v'yam-lich mal-chu-tei b'chai-yei-chon u-v'yo-mei-chon u-v'chai-yei d'chol beit Yis-ra-eil, ba-a-ga-la u-viz-man ka-riv, v'i-m'ru: A-mein.

יָהֵא שָׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמֵיּא: Y'hei sh'mei ra-ba m'va-rach l'a-lam ul'al-mei al-mai-ya.

יִתְבָּרֵךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבֵּח, וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעֵלֶּה וְיִתְהַלֶּל שְׁמֵה דְּקְדְשָׁא בְּרִיךְ הוּא לְעֵלָּא מִן כְּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא, תְּשִׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחֱמָתָא, דַּאֲמִירָן בִּעָלְמָא, וִאִמִרוּ אָמֵן:

Yit-ba-rach v'yish-ta-bach v'yit-pa-ar v'yit-ro-mam v'yit-na-sei, v'yit-ha-dar v'yit-a-leh v'yit-ha-lal sh'mei d'ku-d'sha, b'rich hu. L'ei-la min kol bir-cha-ta v'shi-ra-ta, toosh-b'cha-ta v'ne-che-ma-ta da-a-mi-ran b'a-l'ma, v'i-m'ru: A-mein.

יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מָן שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעֵל כְּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

Y'hei sh'la-ma ra-ba min sh'ma-ya v'cha-yim a-lei-nu v'al kol Yis-ra-eil, v'i-m'ru: A-mein.

עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כְּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

O-seh sha-lom bim-ro-mav, hu ya-a-seh sha-lom a-lei-nu v'al kol Yis-ra-eil, v'i-m'ru: A-mein.

Mourner's Kaddish English Translation

Glorified and sanctified be God's great name throughout the world which He has created according to His will. May He establish His kingdom in your lifetime and during your days, and within the life of the entire House of Israel, speedily and soon; and say, Amen.

May His great name be blessed forever and to all eternity.

Blessed and praised, glorified and exalted, extolled and honored, adored and lauded be the name of the Holy One, blessed be He, beyond all the blessings and hymns, praises and consolations that are ever spoken in the world; and say, Amen.

May there be abundant peace from heaven, and life, for us and for all Israel; and say, Amen.

He who creates peace in His celestial heights, may He create peace for us and for all Israel; and say, Amen.

Graveside Service
Friday, October 12, 2018 10:30 a.m.
Hebrew Rest Cemetery
Beaumont, Texas
Rabbi Matt Michaels

Pallbearers
Josh Mintz
Jonathan Reichek
Andy Gerstenhaber
Greg Wren
Matthew Waldman
Chris Getz
Logan Sherman

