



*Natalie Greenberg*

*August 11, 1936 - January 10, 2023*

## *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 וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעֻלְמָא דִּי בְרָא  
כְּרַעוּתֵיהּ, וְיִמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵיהּ בְּחַיֵּיכוּן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוּן  
וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בְּעֻגְלָא וּבְזִמְן קָרִיב  
וְאָמְרוּ 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.

יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ לְעָלָם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא:  
Y'hei sh'mei ra-ba m'va-rach l'a-lam ul'al-mei al-mai-ya.

יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח, וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא  
וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְקָדְשָׁא בְרִיךְ הוּא  
לְעָלָא מִן כָּל בְּרַכְתָּא וְשִׁירְתָּא, תְּשַׁבְּחָתָא  
וְנַחֲמָתָא, דְאֲמִירָן בְּעֻלְמָא, וְאָמְרוּ 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 מִן שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל  
יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ 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.

עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרוֹמָיו הוּא יַעֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל  
כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ 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.



It all started at 11:07 AM on August 11th, 1936, weighing 7lbs 11oz. Natalie was lucky from birth. At 11 months, baby Natalie fell 3 stories out of a bedroom window, landing in the bushes but coming away with only a few scratches. This was the first of many times Natalie would make headlines.

Born to Natalie and Julian Alexander, she grew up in Little Rock and went on to attend Sophie Newcomb college in New Orleans, ultimately serving as student body president. It was there where she met her love, S.L. Greenberg, on a blind date, and married him soon after on June 5th, 1960.

The newlyweds briefly lived in Houston before moving to Washington D.C. and having their first child, Gary. Soon after, Natalie and S.L. moved to Little Rock and completed their family with two daughters, Lisa and Phyllis. In 1968, the Greenbergs moved back to S.L.'s hometown of Beaumont, where Natalie embraced her roles as a mother, wife, and community leader.

Natalie was a social butterfly who never met a stranger, greeting everyone she met with a kind smile and twinkle in her eye. She loved to travel, see new things and was the life of the party and the last to leave... much to the chagrin of S.L.

Natalie passionately loved her family and giving back to the community through fundraising, volunteering, and random acts of kindness. She held various leadership positions in the community, serving as President of the Sisterhood at Temple Emanuel and Jefferson Bar Auxiliary as well as a Board Member of the Art Museum of Southeast Texas, Buckner Auxiliary, and Symphony of Southeast Texas. She also loved playing games and was a fierce competitor; always in it to win it whether playing in her 2 Mahjong groups or creating her family traditions and rules in Rummikub or Skip-Bo.



A go-go-goer at heart, Natalie lived life to the fullest, detesting red lights, grocery store lines, and slow drivers in the fast lane. She had an eye for fashion, a passion for fun and tremendous love and pride for her family. She taught her family the meaning of kindness, the importance of giving back and the value of laughter. Her legacy will continue to live on through her husband S.L., their children Gary and wife Cindy, Lisa, and Phyllis, and grandkids, Madison, Meagan, Haley and Jake.

She is also survived by her sister Phyllis Kaplan and husband Eddie, and their children.

She passed peacefully on January 10, 2023.

# *Epitaph*

*When I die  
Give what's left of me away  
To children  
And old men that wait to die.*

*And if you need to cry,  
Cry for your brother  
Walking in the street beside you.  
And when you need me,  
Put your arms  
Around anyone  
And give them  
What you need to give me.*

*I want to leave you something,  
Something better  
Than words  
Or sounds.*

*Look for me  
In the people I've known  
Or loved,  
And if you cannot give me away,  
At least let me live in your eyes  
And not on your mind.*

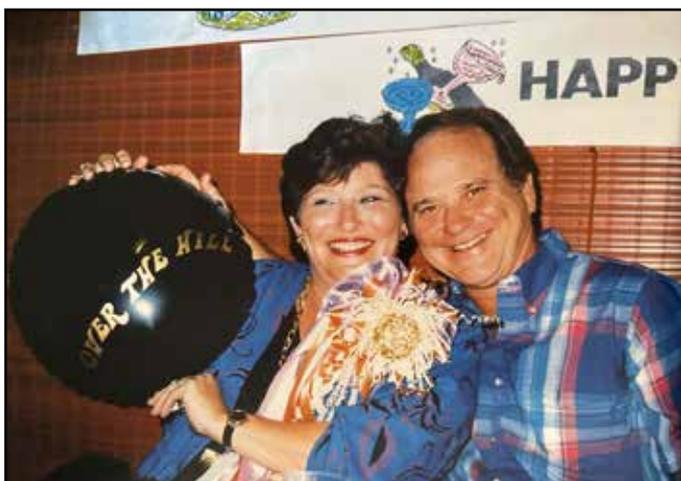
*You can love me most  
By letting  
Hands touch hands.  
By letting  
Bodies touch bodies  
And by letting go*

*Of children  
That need to be free.*

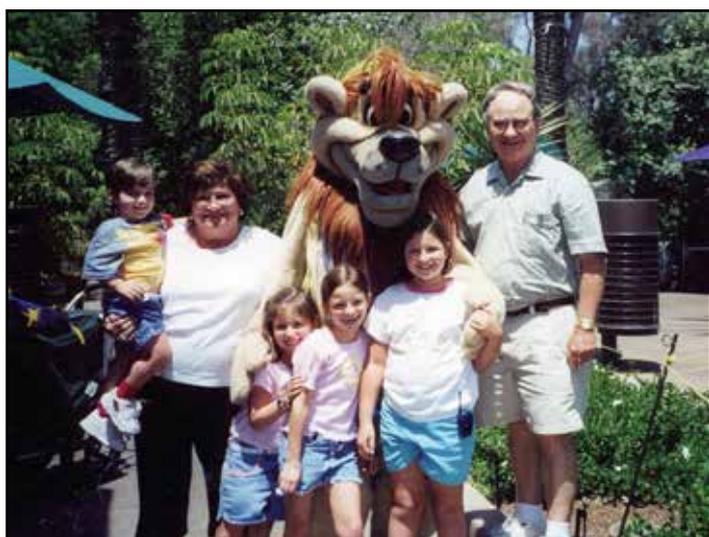
*Love doesn't die  
People do.  
So, when all that's left of me is love,  
Give me away*

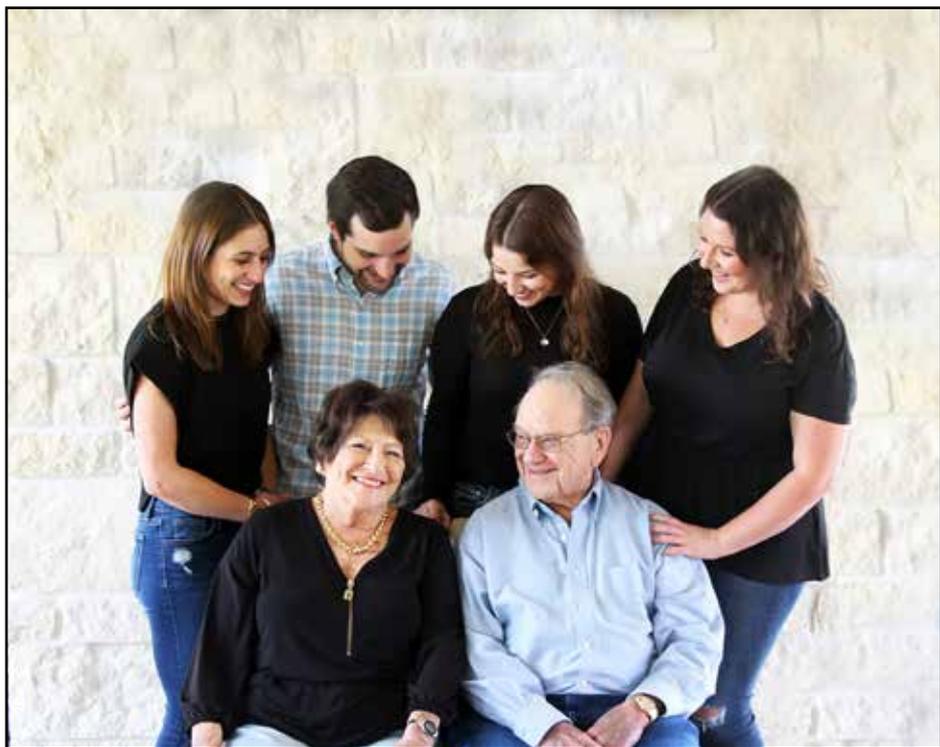


















### **Graveside Service**

Friday, January 13, 2023 11:30 a.m.  
Hebrew Rest Cemetery  
2219 Pine Street, Beaumont, Texas

### **Reception**

Luncheon to follow at Swerdlow-Roosth Social Hall  
Temple Emanuel  
1120 Broadway, Beaumont

### **Memorial Contributions**

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Beaumont, Texas 77701

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