VICTOR GUTNIK
Victor Gutnik, z"l, passed away Jan. 28, 2022, at the age of 81. Victor was predeceased by his wife, Zinaida, and is loved and remembered by nephew, Vitaliy Zamakhover, and sister, Fenya Zamakhover. Victor was a Neveh Shalom congregant. His funeral was Jan. 31 at Ahavai Shalom Cemetery.

ANNABELLE (DOLLY) GOLDBERG
Annabelle (Dolly) Goldberg, z”l, Hannah Basa bat Yitzchak v’Melucha D’riva, passed away Jan. 25, 2022, in Seattle. She was the beloved mother of Michelle, Ken (Jeri) and Jerry; and grandmother of Hunter, Sophie and Jake. She was predeceased by her husband, Leonard, z”l, in 2019.

Dolly was born Aug. 23, 1933, in Salinas, Calif., to Charles and Minnie Finkelstein, along with sisters Beverly and Helaine.

Her life’s achievements were many, but nothing was more important to her than her family and friends – and serving them their favorite foods as one of her many forms of caring. In their seventh decade of marriage, her adoring husband, Leonard, died in 2019, leaving a hole in her heart that was irreparable. They are united once again, for eternity.

Dolly met Len while she was a nurse at Mt. Zion Hospital in San Francisco, where he was internning to become a cardiologist. After raising three amazing children, she enrolled at Portland State University, where she graduated with honors with a degree in political science and urban planning.

Her passion was knowing about and providing for others, including formal holiday meals for 30 family members, friends and soon-to-be friends a dozen times a year for the past 40 years. Her pride and joy was her certified-Kosher second kitchen, from which she could prepare food to be taken into the synagogue.

Len called her his queen, and we were all blessed to be within her regal sphere.

The funeral was Jan. 30, 2022, at Shaarie Torah Cemetery. The family suggests donations to Kline Galland Hospice in Seattle or Hadassah.

DAVID ARTHUR MARKEWITZ
David Arthur Markewitz, z”l, passed away Jan. 23, 2022, in Ashland, Ore., at age 75. He is mourned by his brother, Milton Markewitz; and by his children, Mia Markewitz Davis, John Markewitz, Grant Markewitz and Erin Markewitz Salehrabi.

He was born in Worcester, Mass., June 29, 1946, but grew up in Portland. He graduated from Lincoln High School in 1964.

Burial was at Shaarie Torah Cemetery on Jan. 26.

YOSEF DAVID HASSON
Yosef David Hasson, z”l, Yosef David ben Avrohom v’Miriam, passed away peacefully in his sleep on Jan. 13, 2022, in Tzfat, Israel. He is survived by his beloved wife, Esther Sara; his children, Miriam, Emily, Molly and Alena; and his grandchildren, Tony, Zabra, Ben and Sophia.

He was an active congregant at Shaarie Torah for nearly two decades and enjoyed being part of the Men’s Club in the years prior to moving to Israel.

His funeral was held in Tzfat last week.

JFCS wins grant for innovative care

Jewish Family & Child Service has won a significant grant from The Jewish Federations of North America’s Center for Holocaust Survivor Care and Institute on Aging and Trauma to provide groundbreaking care for older adult clients and their caregivers.

When combined with matching funds, this award will provide roughly $90,000 over two years for new programming that engages in person-centered, trauma-informed (PCTI) care for all of its clients in its four programs: Counseling, Emergency Aid, Disability Support Services and Holocaust Survivor Services. Missy Fry, LCSW, CAGCS, is overseeing the JFNA grant.

This is JFCS’ third award from JFNA. The focus of this award, which spans through 2024, is twofold.

JFCS will engage its Holocaust Survivor clients, Next Generation caregivers, older adults with a history of trauma and caregivers through psychoeducation around issues related to end of life. This crucial service is often delayed but of great importance to explore and put plans in place.

JFCS also will provide JFNA grant clients support around grief and loss with a focus around reducing increased trauma due to isolation. Isolation is common for older adults and especially now during the ongoing pandemic.

“The support of JFNA gives JFCS the support to best implement a PCTI approach when working with all of our clients,” says Clinical Director Douglass Ruth, LCSW, CCTP. “We are able to develop programming that is designed to address the unique needs of Holocaust survivors and older adults who have experienced trauma.”

“Additionally, we are able to continue building knowledge and expertise particularly in PCTI practices that assists in our ability to support the greater community,” he adds.

PCTI care is an innovative approach spearheaded by JFNA that promotes trust, dignity, strength and empowerment of all individuals by incorporating knowledge about trauma into agency programs, policies and procedures. Some estimates suggest that up to 90% of older adults in the United States have experienced a traumatic event during their lifetimes, which can affect them as they age.

“The pandemic has shown what a difference we can make when we come together, especially for those older adults at highest risk of Covid-19,” says Mark Wilf, chair of the JFNA Board of Trustees. “Holocaust survivors are our teachers and our heroes, and we are committed to empowering them to live with comfort in their communities.”

JFNA launched this program in 2015 following an award from the Administration for Community Living. Acknowledging Jewish Federations’ profound impact, the federal government has increased the funding through the years, highlighted Jewish Federations’ approach as a model for serving all older adults, and empowered JFNA to be the national resource center on aging and trauma.

Since its inception, the program has supported approximately 30,000 Holocaust survivors, 15,000 professional caregivers, 5,000 family caregivers and 2,000 other older adults with a history of trauma. Local organizations have provided specialized care across 21 states and 54 cities.

JFNA aims to catalyze a nationwide culture shift toward PCTI care across older adult populations. JFNA is proud to do this work with strong bipartisan Congressional support.

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I’m exhausted by the enmity, cruelty, stupidity, and thoughtlessness that abound today. My oldest daughter is named for a survivor of the Holocaust. I am the director of a museum dedicated to Holocaust education. I am blessed to know survivors in our community. Did the person who sent that tweet ever stop to consider what the image means to anyone who has lost loved ones because of genocide?

For years at OJMCHE, we have been saying that our work matters now more than ever. Our work matters now more than ever. I do despair. We all despair.

But for anyone who knows me, you also know despair is not my usual instinct. Professor Bartov reminded us of the importance of community alliances to fight hate. Hope also abounds and I remain buoyed at the privilege of being part of a community that values openness, enlightenment and justice.

Today we hold the memory of six million Jewish victims and millions of other victims of the Holocaust in our hearts. Today we honor survivors locally and everywhere. I’m here to fight another day and I invite you to join me. ojmche.org