



## Margie M. Reiter

March 19, 1924 - January 22, 2021

Margie (Malowitz Eskin) Reiter of Austin, Texas, died Jan. 22 after a life of caring for others. She was a smart, strong, and wise woman who overcame hardship and tragedy with energy and determination. She was active and sharp-minded almost to the end.

She was born March 19, 1924, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Philip and Mary (Lipsky) Malowitz. She graduated from Hughes High School in 1942, married Sam Eskin in 1947, and raised their daughter, Karen. Marge was an active member of Cincinnati's JCC, Golf Manor Synagogue and Northern Hills Synagogue and worked 25 years for the IRS.

Sam Eskin died in 1982. Three years later, she and some friends took a Bahamas cruise, and Marge met George Reiter of Austin. They married later that year, and after a lifetime in Cincinnati, she bravely moved to Austin, where she created a second life and gained a large second family.

Marge and George were active in Austin's JCC and Congregation Agudas Achim Synagogue, where Marge created programs for seniors. There she became a bat mitzvah at age 67 and read from the Torah for her following birthdays into her 90s. She was the oldest woman to read Torah at her the synagogues.

She and George volunteered at Austin's Paramount Theater and the Austin Symphony. They were docents at the LBJ Library for over 20 years and Marge was proud to have known Lady Bird Johnson. Marge was a skilled seamstress, knitter, and baker, creating for family and friends and donating to

those in need.

George died in 2010, and Marge continued an active life with her many loved and loving friends. She was especially treasured by her synagogue community. She spent her last years at Brookdale Senior Living, where she brought in speakers and participated in groups contributing to the assisted living center.

In addition to two husbands, she outlived her daughter, Karen Fisher, and granddaughter Elyssa Levin. She is survived in Cincinnati by her son-in-law, Philip Fisher, and grandchildren Harris Kastner and Paulina (Martin Thoma) and Bayla Fisher. In her Texas family, she is survived by daughter Helen and Michael Paulsen, grandchildren Mariana (Tony) Tartt, Mark (Kathy) Paulsen, and Rachel (Jerome) Pudwill. She also had nine great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

In addition, she leaves cousins, nieces and nephews and her beloved friends, Sigrid Levi-Baum, Michael Baum, and Jeannette Brickman.

The family asks that donations be directed to Congregation Agudas Achim, Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, [CAA-Austin.org](http://CAA-Austin.org)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Margie M. Reiter*

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October 14, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Marge's passing. I am the volunteer coordinator at the LBJ Library and have known Marge for more than 15 years. She was such a sweet lady and invited me to speak to the Brookdale residents in 2019. It was an honor. I'll miss her sweet phone calls. May she be at peace.*

*Laura Eggert*

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**Laura Eggert** - January 27, 2021 at 02:54 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of Margie's passing. I had the pleasure of meeting Margie at Brookdale. She and my mother, Martha Moore, were friends and tablemates. Both of them were so bright and knowledgeable about the world as well as Austin. Margie was such a treat to visit with each time I was there! My mother passed away right before the pandemic began, and I had not been able to return for a visit. I was looking forward to going back to say hello to the staff and to look for Margie for a quick check-in. I know that you all will miss her. Her spirit, her interest in everything, and general joy in life made her such a pleasure!*

*Marnee Loftin and other members of  
Family of Martha Moore*

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**Marnee M Loftin** - January 26, 2021 at 05:11 PM