



Stanley Ramati

July 1, 1937 - July 12, 2020

Stanley Ramati was born on July 1st, 1937 in London to Philip and Tilly Hyman.

The youngest of three children, Stanley never knew his older brother Jackie, who died before he was born. Stan was given the Hebrew name Shalom as a symbol of the peace he brought to the family. However, he enjoyed a long and loving relationship with his older sister Helen, who died last year during Kol Nidre.

Stan grew up during the Blitz and attended British Public Schools. He was an active member of Habonim. Among his contemporaries was the Playwright, Harold Pinter. Stan served in the British Royal Air Force, including being on active duty, during the 1956 Suez crisis.

In 1961, he made Aliyah to Israel. He lived on the Kibbutz, Beit HaEmek, and served in the armored division of the Israeli Defense Forces. Stan's unit captured the Golan Heights during the Six Day War in 1967. In 1970, while working to place Jewish, Non-Israeli's into Kibbutzim, he met his future wife, Dorothy. She was set to live at a different Kibbutz, until he was able to convince her to live at his. He told her, "why would you want to just be around more Americans?" They married on August 27, 1970 in Herzliya, Israel.

Later that year, they moved to the states, settling in Birmingham, Alabama. In Birmingham, Stan began his career in Jewish social work and his love for Alabama football, during the Bear Bryant years. In Birmingham they started their family and had two sons, Phillip and Alex. While working for the Jewish Federation of Birmingham, Stan earned his bachelor's degree at the University of Alabama - Birmingham. In January 1976, the family moved to Savannah, Georgia, where Stan became the Executive Director of the Jewish Federation and the Jewish Education Alliance (JEA), Savannah's JCC. Stan was one of the strongest federation directors in the country. He was extremely involved in relocation of Soviet Jews to Israel and America. Stan directly helped many Russian families settle in Savannah and become active parts of the Savannah Jewish community. Stan spearheaded the building fund to renovate the JEA.

Stan had similar roles in San Antonio, Texas and Reading, Pennsylvania before retiring to Raleigh, North Carolina in 2006. The best part of retirement was becoming a grandfather or "Zayde" to Jake in 2007 and Allie in 2011. And in 2018, Stan & Dorothy moved to Austin, Texas to be closer to their grandchildren.

Because of his fluency in Hebrew and Jewish customs, he was often consulted on any matter of Judaism. He also became infamous for leading exceedingly long Passover Seders. In addition to his passion for the state of Israel and being Jewish, Stan loved cricket, soccer, rugby and tea as any true Englishman would. He was a passionate reader and kept many libraries and bookstores in business.

One of Stan's favorite hobbies growing up was stamp collecting. He later sold his beloved stamp collection to buy his first house in Birmingham. Besides his family, his loves included Alabama Football, Tottenham Hotspurs Soccer and New York Mets Baseball. He also liked Georgia Football (but only because his

sons and a good amount of his money went there). He also loved the movies, British Television and Documentaries. His favorite food was dessert.

Stan is survived by his wife of almost 50 years, Dorothy, his two sons, Phillip and Alex, his daughter-in-law, Becca, and his two grandchildren, Jake and Allie. He also leaves behind a large family of loved ones in Israel, England and Australia.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to two charities meaningful to Stan:

StandWithUs

<https://www.standwithus.com/donate>

The Humane Society (please support your local chapter):

<https://www.humanesociety.org/how-you-can-help>

You are welcome to join the Austin Natural Funerals Facebook page at 11 am on July 14th to attend the funeral virtually <https://www.facebook.com/AustinNaturalFunerals> The livestream feed will begin a little before 11 am.

Cemetery Details

Austin Memorial Park

2800 Hancock Dr.
Austin, TX 78731

Tribute Wall



“ *Stanley Ramati*

October 14, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to Dorothy and the entire family. I volunteered for Stan when he was leading the Reading Federation. He had a great passion for the Jewish Community and for Israel. I am appreciative of all that he did to make the world a better place. May his memory be for a blessing.*

Fred Singer - August 08, 2020 at 07:39 PM



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Elaine Coleman - July 16, 2020 at 05:06 PM



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RE

“ Stan gave me my first hadracha opportunity in Habonim. I remember him well, and send my condolences to his family.

Rachelle Ehven, née Lipson

Rachelle Ehven - July 16, 2020 at 04:19 PM

SS

“ I remember Stan as my 'madrach' in Habonim--he was real 'norf' Londoner. An impressive presence for all of youngsters--funny and caring. I still remember him telling a ghost story sitting around the campfire, and being scared out of my wits.! He seemed to be the essence of what drew me to the movement as a youngster. He will be remembered.

Svi Shapiro

Svi Shapiro - July 16, 2020 at 10:10 AM

IF

“ Stan and I were cowmen together on hachshara at Eder Farm 1958-1959. We milked the cows, took them to and from the fields, fed them and washed the equipment. The daily routine included taking shovels and scraping clean the yard where the cows were stood during milking, which gave us plenty of opportunity for talk and discussion, the main topics being football, Israel, Judaism and sometimes philosophy and the meaning of life as we saw it from the rear end of a cow.

That year, under Bill Stewart's direction, we entered a cow (Nurit) in the local agricultural show, where she won Best in Breed and Best in Show prizes. We pinned the rosettes onto the roof beams in the milking parlour.

Stan was a good friend. My condolences to Stan's family.



Iri Foreman - July 16, 2020 at 07:03 AM

RD

“ Stan in 1961 our Shaliach in North London, I have wonderful memories of him. I wish his family a long life. Rosalie nee Barber



Rosalie Van Dülmen - July 15, 2020 at 05:00 PM

BS

“ I remember Stan too from his time on Shlichut at North London Habonim (same time as Coral) in the sixties - he was a wonderful, larger than life presence - and I am so sad to learn of his passing . Sending love and condolences to all the family. Barbara Winston (London)

barbara winston (nee Sherbourne) - July 15, 2020 at 01:22 PM

AD

“ Deeply saddened to hear this news.Stan was my mad rich in Nort London before he went to Bet Ha'emek and we never reconnected.During his years in London he often came to my home for a kosher haimishe meal.My mum loved him and remembered his father from the shoe shop in Berwick Street.Among my last memories was the Purim operetta we performed in.He was Mordechai with a great song..And I and I your friend Mordecai...Cyril Rubin was the judge.I played Haman. He was great!! I send my love and deep condolences.Stan was a fun filled mensch and I shall remember him forever.

AdrianAndrusier - July 15, 2020 at 12:39 PM

CN

“ Dear Ramati Family,
I was one of Stan's chanichot, during his time as a shaliach in North London.
I think it was about the mid 60's. He was our Rosh Ken in North London, at the Old Bayit - in Upper Clapton Road.
He was such an inspiring and positive figure.
Probably one of the influential factors on my decision to make Aliyah in 1970.
So sad to hear that he is gone.
May you keep his blessed memory alive.
I will certainly remember him.
Here in Israel, we have an alumni group for all of those from Habonim/Habonim- Dror from the UK. We will be remembering him in our upcoming Newsletter and our Magazine.
All my condolences,
Coral Navon (nee Goodman), Haifa

Coral Navon - July 15, 2020 at 11:56 AM

HS

“ Dear Ramati family, I was very saddened to hear of Stanley's passing. In the late 1960's he was a Shaliach to the Habonim Youth Movement in London, with particular responsibility for the large community in North London. I was privileged to have him as my Youth Leader , and he had a significant educational influence on us all, especially with his warm sense of humour and abounding energy and encouragement . He will be missed by many people whose lives he influenced. My condolences to all the family . Haim Ben Shlomo

Haim Ben Shlomo - July 15, 2020 at 09:56 AM

RD

I also send my condolences to Stan's family, he was also my madrich in the sixties. He was such a lovable man and certainly made a big impact on my life in Habonim and our North London Ken. I wish all his family a long life. Rosalie nee Barber

Rosalie Van Dülmen - July 15, 2020 at 04:34 PM

AE

“*Dear Ramati family, we were deeply saddened to learn of Stanley's passing. We became close friends in 1955 as we both lived in Dollis Hill, attended the same synagogue and were members of the Habonim youth movement. Later, we both joined the same Garin core group and made Aliya to Bet Haemek, he in 1961, me in 1963. His warmth, charismatic nature and humor endeared him to everyone. On their occasional visits to Israel, we would get together even when his mobility became difficult. My wife Lily and offer our deepest condolences. May you be comforted. Aryeh Epstein*

aryeh and lily epstein - July 15, 2020 at 04:19 AM

TK

“ A warm hug and so much love is being sent from me to all of the people in Stans life.

There was a time during Covid this year that Stans hair got “out of control for too long” and of course, due to health reasons, he could not leave the house. Thankfully, I knew him through Dorothy because I would carefully go grocery shopping for the family during Covid. Well, I’m not too unfamiliar with cutting hair- I have been doing it for myself and my family for YEARS. Dorothy asked me if I would be able to cut his hair if he gave the “okay.” Of course! Not too long after that, we set up shop in the garage- mask and scissors, a sheet draped over his shoulders only to find him falling asleep within minutes. We set up a tiny little mirror in front of him if he would like to watch but I think he preferred to look at the back of his eyelids instead. 😊 After the hair cut, I later heard from Dorothy that he enjoyed it and was very pleased. I am so grateful that I have grown to know each and everyone of them in the way that I do. As for Stan, this family would not have been the same without you. Words can not express how thankful I am to have known him.

Taylor Knutson - July 15, 2020 at 02:02 AM

SM

“ Philip, after reading his obit, I wished I could have met your dad. Cherish the memories of a most special man. Again, my condolences to your mom, brother and your extended family.

Sherrie Marshall - July 14, 2020 at 02:23 PM