



Dear John,



Tomorrow, the two of us will lead a group of 12 people on a Federation Solidarity and Volunteer Mission to Israel. This will be our first time back in Israel since the Mega Mission one year ago when we celebrated Israel's 75th birthday with more than 800 people from Miami. This will also be our first time back in Israel since the horrific events of October 7. We will be there to bear witness, stand in solidarity, volunteer, experience *Yom Ha'Zikaron* (Israel's Memorial Day to remember the fallen soldiers and victims of terror) and celebrate *Yom Ha'Atzmaut* (Israel's 76th Day of Independence) hand in hand with our Israeli brothers and sisters. In next month's e-newsletter, we will update you about our mission.

As we continue to witness anti-Israel protests on college campuses and increased acts of antisemitism around the world, we find the days ahead even more meaningful. This past Sunday evening, May 5, the Miami community stood in unity to commemorate *Yom HaShoah* (Holocaust Remembrance Day) at the Holocaust Memorial Miami Beach. We remember the lessons of history as we continue to feel the history being relived even more so today. Next week, the Miami Jewish community has various programs at our own JCCs and synagogues to recognize and commemorate *Yom Ha'Zikaron* and *Yom Ha'Atzmaut*. Check out the Federation's [Community Calendar](#) for more information about events taking place in your area.

If you would like to discuss the various options of how to create your own lasting legacy for our Jewish community today and for the future,

contact Scott Kaplan at skaplan@gmjf.org or 786.866.8623 or Jill Hagler at jhagler@gmjf.org or 305.613.8606.

Sincerely,



Sidney Pertnoy
The Foundation Chair



Scott Kaplan
The Foundation Director



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(of blessed memory)



The Foundation is pleased to share the stories of our generous donors and the following was written by Marsha and Cheryl Deakter, the children of one of them.

Our mother, Annette Deakter, was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1927, the daughter of Frances and Max Gross. She had three sisters and one brother. Mom met and married our father, Morris Deakter, in 1945 and had two children, Marsha and Cheryl.

We were raised in the Jewish faith, going to Sunday school and Hebrew school. We always celebrated the Jewish holidays with both sides of our family, leaving us with beautiful memories. In 1958, the four of us moved to South Florida. Our parents immediately became active members in a synagogue in North Miami formally known as Monticello Park, which later became Beth Torah. They generously donated the synagogue's social hall as a show of support and commitment.

Our mother joined various Jewish organizations and contributed her time, energy and financial support as well. She had a deep connection to Zionism and Israel as she had cousins who had survived the Holocaust and later moved to Israel. Over her lifetime, our parents visited Israel at least 30 times -- always with deep devotion. As a result of these journeys, our mom helped Magen

David Adom with generous contributions. Her love for the Greater Miami Jewish Federation and all the important things Federation accomplishes led her to become a strong supporter. She was especially proud to wear the Lion of Judah pin and we are thrilled that she is now recognized as a Forever Lion.

Our mom, Annette, enjoyed being a hostess at her home for Federation events that included donors, volunteers, rabbis and community leaders. She was actively engaged in raising money for various Jewish organizations.

Her memorable holiday celebrations with her children and grandchildren created a legacy unto itself. Our mom imparted her love of Judaism, Israel and the Greater Miami Jewish Federation to her family.

Unfortunately, our beautiful mother passed away on February 11, 2009. But, her legacy will live on with her entire family. She was a visionary who believed that Jewish people should learn from the past to keep Judaism alive in schools, home, community, and the world.

Click [HERE](#) to read Annette's story in our **BOOK OF LIFE**.

Washington News

Prepare For Hurricanes, Wildfires and Tornadoes

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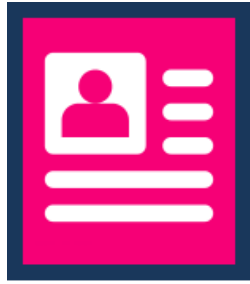
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