

Since last Yom Kippur, we mourn the loss of 5 members of our congregation:

Sid Pachter

Edith Rashewsky

David Rapaport

Marilyn Leven

Manfred Weller

We are not only members of individual families, but also members of the Jewish people and citizens of the world. Therefore, at this moment of Yizkor, we remember also the following whose lives made a difference, for good or bad, to the world.

Lily Ledbetter, whose lawsuit regarding equal pay for equal work reached the supreme court and inspired Federal Legislation named for her.

Yahya Sinwar, *Yim'ah shemo*, may his memory be erased.

Professor Yehudah Bauer, the "Dean" of Holocaust scholars, who has written 474 books, articles, and translations on the topic.

Elwood Edwards, the voice of AOL's You've Got Mail.

Thomas Kurtz, co-inventor of the BASIC computer language, transforming computer science into a field that even a novice could understand.

Arthur Frommer, whose guidebook, such as "Europe on \$5 a Day," opened travel to the middle-class.

Alice Brock, the inspiration for Arlo Guthrie's Alices restaurant.

Shalom Nagar, who was picked by lottery to execute the death sentence on Adolf Eichmann.

Jimmy Carter, the first US president to become a centenarian, President Carter, both during and following his presidency, was famous for his peace work and humanitarian efforts.

Nikki Giovanni, poet, author, educator and public speaker, the Princess of Black Poetry.

Ágnes Keleti, the Holocaust survivor who became the oldest gymnastics gold medalist in history, at age 35.

Valérie André, surgeon, rescue helicopter pilot, and Frances first female general in the French military.

Major Nancy Lieutenant-Colon, barrier-breaking military nurse, the first Black woman in the regular Army Nurse Corps.

Aga Khan, spiritual leader of Ismaili Muslims for 68 years, who spent billions on homes, hospitals and schools in developing countries.

James Harrison, who donated 1173 pints of blood and is credited for saving 2.4 million babies because of his rare blood antibody.

Boris Spassky, the Soviet-era world chess champion who lost his title to American Bobby Fischer in the legendary 1972 match of the century.

John "Paddy" Hemingway, the last surviving pilot of the Battle of Britain.

Yaakov Kirschen, the award winning cartoonist "Dry Bones," a "national treasure of the Jewish people."

Pope Francis, born Jorge Mario Bergoglio, the first Jesuit pope and the first from the Americas.

Supreme Court Justice David H. Souter, the Republican who became a favorite of liberals.

Dr. Joseph Giordano, surgeon who saved President Ronald Reagan's life after an assassination attempt in 1984.

Ozzie Osborne, prince of darkness, who helped ignite unscripted reality TV.

Joan Anderson, the young woman who named the hula hoop and ignited a pop culture phenomenon.

James Lovell, commander of Apollo 13, who overcame a spacecraft disabling explosion to bring his astronauts home.

Robert Redford, the patron saint of independent film.

Lt. Col. George Hardy, the last surviving Tuskegee airman, the World War Two Black military aviators who paved the way for desegregation in the military.

Aron Bell, the last living sibling of the group of four Jewish “Bielski brothers” who led the partisan group that saved 1,200 Jews.

Jane Goodall, who taught us that our primates cousins are people, too.

All these do we remember, together with the ones who were so close to us, for they too are a part of our world.

Consult the AP News Year End in review and CBS News deaths