

FISHBEIN, Selma Frances (Gold)

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FISHBEIN, SELMA FRANCES

89, longtime resident of Providence, Rhode Island, passed away on Sunday, September 25, 2016 in Bonita Springs, Florida.

She was born in Providence, Rhode Island, the daughter of the late Morris I. Gold and Esther Hassenfeld Gold.

She graduated from Classical High School and Pembroke College/Brown University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work. She began her career as a social worker in Philadelphia, PA and went on to work for many years for the State of Rhode Island. Throughout the years, she was an active volunteer in many organizations including the Ladies Association of the Providence Hebrew Day School, Hadassah, Miriam Hospital and Pioneer Women.

She and her late husband, Dr. Joseph J. Fishbein, were active in the Providence community for more than four decades. Together, they supported many community and Jewish organizations including The Providence Hebrew Day School, New England Academy of Torah, Congregation Beth Sholom, the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island and Jewish Family Services.

Selma is predeceased by her sister, Shirley Dwares, and her brother, Benson Gold and is survived by her sister-in-law Sheila Gold. She is also survived by her children Drs. Shari Mandel and Alex Mandel; Drs. Keith Fishbein and Nancy Feldman; Janni Fishbein-Slotkis and David Slotkis; Amy Fishbein Waisel and Harold Waisel. She is also survived by twelve grandchildren Dr. Ernest and Rachel Mandel, Dr. Jonathan Mandel, Raphael Mandel, Ephraim and Yael Mandel; Michael and Rachel Fishbein, Helena Fishbein and husband Michael Warfel, Brian Fishbein and fiancé Anastasia Auber; Daniel Slotkis, Rachel Slotkis and Dayna Slotkis; Ezekiel Waisel and Alannah Waisel; and her five great-grandchildren Joseph, Gabriel, Micah, Easton and Talia; and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at Congregation Beth Sholom, 275 Camp Street Providence, R.I. on Wednesday, September 28th at 1:00 PM followed by burial at the Lincoln Park Jewish Cemetery in Warwick, R.I. Contributions may be made to Congregation Beth Sholom, or the Dr. Joseph Jay and Selma Fishbein Fund at the Jewish Alliance of Greater Rhode Island, or a charity of your choice. For information and condolences, www.sugarmansinai.com