



Clara Harriet Rosenbaum

June 18, 2021

Clara Harriet Rosenbaum, 96, of Lancaster, formerly of Elm Avenue, passed away on June 18, 2021 at Country Meadows.

Born in Montreal, Canada, she was the widow of Henry Rosenbaum and the daughter of the late Bernard and Sarah Schacter Sookman.

Clara attended Commercial High School in Montreal and worked as an administrative assistant for the State Department in many countries including Viet-Nam, Kenya, Belgian Congo (Zaire) and Turkey. She also served as Ambassador Secretary to the Director of East African Affairs in Washington, D.C. She also served as a bookkeeper for seven years, retiring in 1978.

Clara was a member of both Degel Israel Synagogue and Congregation Shaarai Shomayim where she was a member of the sisterhood. She was a volunteer at the United States Holocaust Memorial and a member of the Women's Giving Circle at Hospice and Community Care.

Clara is survived by her nieces & nephews: Bernard Sookman (Rosemary), Thelma Sookman, Harold Sookman (Donna Bleier), Debbie Sookman (Arthur Landa), Barry Sookman (Shelly), Claire Sookman (Brian Cutler), Carmen Freundlich (Raul Coniglio), and Ruth Freundlich and grand nieces and nephews: Sarah-Grace Sookman (Daniel Spira), Micah Sookman (Kim

Hamilton), Joshua Sookman (Bronwyn Storoschuk), Samantha Sookman (Ronald Zahavi), Valeria Coniglio, Sofia Coniglio, Silvina Julia Coniglio. She was preceded in death by her parents Sarah & Bernard Sookman and her brothers, Larry Sookman & Julius Sookman.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to Clara's Funeral Service at Congregation Shaarai Shomayim, 75 E. James Street, Lancaster, PA 17602 on Monday, June 21, 2021 at 11:00 A.M. with Rabbi Jack Paskoff and Rabbi Shaya Sackett officiating. Interment to follow at Shaarai Shomayim Cemetery. Shiva will be observed on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at the home of Miriam and James Baumgartner. A Zoom link can be obtained at Congregation Shaarai Shomayim.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in Clara's memory to Congregation Shaarai Shomayim, 75 East James St., Lancaster, PA, Degel Israel Synagogue, 1120 Columbia Ave, Lancaster, PA, Hadassah, <https://hadassah.org>, or the charity of one's choice.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUN 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Congregation Shaarai Shomayim
75 East James Street
Lancaster, PA 17602

Tribute Wall



“ *Clara Harriet Rosenbaum*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *We remember Clara, she was a sweet lady. She was very smart and had great stories of her exciting life. I would come to visit my mother at dinner or lunch time. She would give me her desert. She was a kind person, she was a sweet heart. I bet she was a real pistol in her day. We will miss her, she was a real joy to be around. She a had a special way she looked at you when she saw you, so happy like a little kid. We wish you the best in heaven, Love Nancy and Coleen Clinton*

Coleen Clinton - June 21, 2021 at 03:20 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. My wife and I purchased Harriet's home on Atkins Ave in 2012 and I recall at settlement when Harriet arrived she pointed a finger at me and said "I knew your mother" Later in 2013 we had an open house for our new neighbors and Nancy Smithers, from next door, brought Harriet along and I think she appreciatd being there and was not upset with some changes we made.*

Jim Brener

JIM BRENER - June 21, 2021 at 11:22 AM



She was not upset with changes that you made to the house. She was very upset with her real estate agent who talked her into buying a home warranty for appliances that you promptly replaced!

Miriam - June 24, 2021 at 09:55 AM

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sarah sookman - June 21, 2021 at 10:39 AM

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“ Harriet and my mother shared a dining room table at Country Meadows. She was always so sweet and kind and a pleasure to be around. I will miss seeing her.

Susan Swartz - June 21, 2021 at 05:57 AM

DS

“ Harriet, as she was known by at Country Meadows, was one of the guests that sat at the same table with my mother before she passed away in 2017. I always enjoyed our conversations when I would stop over to visit my mother, she was a lovely lady. She was the one that would make my mother , “take one more bite” now Jane, and everyone at the table would laugh. She was a wonderful person and full of great stories, I’m sure you, her family will miss her very much. Thanks for the memories Harriet. Debbie Smithgall

Debbie Smithgall - June 21, 2021 at 12:44 AM

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Silvina J. Coniglio - June 20, 2021 at 03:23 PM

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“ Remembering the good times being with Clara over many years.
Rest In Peace, dear friend.
Sincerely, Bonnie

Bonnie - June 20, 2021 at 02:46 PM

TS

“ I always loved seeing Aunt Clara and Henry when they visited us in Montreal at Bubbie Sookman's house, or when they came to Cornwall for special occasions when we were children. She always kept us updated on her travels with Henry and of course, always sending birthday cards. When we were older I was only able to connect by talking on the phone. I did make one visit to Lancaster to see Aunt Clara & Uncle Henry when I was younger. All the Sookman's had a really nice visit when Aunt Clara turned 90, and we spent several days together. I really enjoyed my time on the phone with Aunt Clara, going over our Ancestry Genealogy tree and talking about all the family updates. She was a very special & generous lady. I will miss her and remember her always. Love
Thelma

Thelma Sookman - June 20, 2021 at 02:27 PM

SC

“ *Dear aunt Clara,*

I will always remember you. I love you very much. With love,

Silvina J. Coniglio (daughter of Carmen Freundlich and Raúl Coniglio)

Silvina J. Coniglio - June 20, 2021 at 12:12 PM

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“ *Dear Aunt Clara, always remembered you.*

We love you, hugs.

Sofia Coniglio(Carmen and Raul Coniglio daugther)

Sofia Coniglio - June 20, 2021 at 10:18 AM

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Harold - June 20, 2021 at 10:05 AM

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“ We looked forward our annual trip to visit Aunt Clara, usually around her July 1 birthday. Of course celebrating her 90th with family was a highlight for all of us. During our visits, Bernard would help her with the computer and then we could enjoy looking at family photos via the tv screen. She really enjoyed this activity and always was interested what the family was doing. Aunt Clara sure loved her coupons and we spent time looking at them and deciding which restaurant to go for dinner! She always invited us to dine with her at Countrh Meadows.
She was our matriarch and a very kind and generous aunt. She is sorely missed. Rest in Peace, Aunt Clara
Benard and Rosemary Sookman

Bernard & Rosemary - June 20, 2021 at 09:13 AM

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Thelma Sookman - June 20, 2021 at 12:32 AM