



Ruth Kay Levy

June 10, 1935 - June 1, 2023

Ruth Kay Levy, nee Rosenthal

CINCINNATI- Ruth was born in Eubigheim, Germany on June 10th, 1935. At the age of 3, Ruth and her family fled Nazi Germany and settled in Cleveland, Ohio. Ruth was raised in Cleveland and grew up in a traditional Jewish home with her parents, Beatta and Leo Rosenthal and her younger brother, Arnie. Throughout her life, Ruth frequently returned to Cleveland to spend time with her parents and Arnie, whom she adored.

She attended Cleveland Heights High School and went on to graduate from Case Western Reserve University. Prior, Ruth attended The Ohio State University her freshman year, where she met her beloved husband, Jim Levy. They married on August 26th, 1956, and were lifelong partners.

Ruth and Jim moved to San Diego and Ruth was a 2nd grade teacher while Jim served in the US Navy. They then moved to Cincinnati to be closer to family and start one of their own. While raising their children: Stuart, Karen and Jonathan, Ruth was an active member in the Cincinnati community.

Throughout her life, she served as Director of Volunteer Service for the Mental Health Association, was on the Long Range Planning and Leadership Development Task Force of Jewish Federation, and held membership on the boards of the American Jewish Committee, Wise Temple, Jewish Federation, National Council of Jewish Women, and Brandeis University. Ruth was strongly devoted to her Jewish heritage, ensuring she passed that love and devotion to her family, as well. Ruth fully embraced her time as a member of Wise Temple. Ruth and Jim would spend every Saturday morning at Wise Temple, studying Torah. From the moment she came to America, Ruth was a social butterfly. She loved talking with friends, hosting Bridge nights, and spending time with her children and grandchildren. Ruth never let her family's tumultuous journey to America hold her back from a life full of love and meaning. A truly remarkable woman with an amazing heart and generous soul, she will be greatly missed. She is survived by her children, Stuart (Laurie), Karen and Jonathan (Christine) Levy, her eight grandchildren: Michael, Jeremy and Jake Levy, Jill and David Tochtermann, Anna, Ben and Sophie Levy and three great grandchildren: Charlie, Rylie and Bradley Levy. She is preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, Jim Levy, her parents, Beatta and Leo Rosenthal, her adored brother, Arnie Rosenthal, and other extended family. Graveside services Friday, June 2, 11:00 AM at United Jewish Cemetery-Montgomery, 7885 Ivygate Lane, Montgomery, Ohio 45242.

Shiva will be observed on Saturday June 3rd from 4-6pm at the residence of
Dr Stuart and Laurie

Levy, 5971 Capeview Place Mason, OH 45040.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Wise Temple.

Cemetery Details

United Jewish Cemetery - Montgomery

7885 Ivygate Lane
Montgomery, OH 45242

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUN 2. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *May her memory serve as a blessing.* ”

Barry Silver - June 04, 2023 at 05:56 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Ruth Kay Levy.* ”



June 03, 2023 at 07:51 AM

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“ *Annette Iskra lit a candle in memory of Ruth Levy* ”



Annette Iskra - June 03, 2023 at 07:45 AM

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“ *Anna & Family lit a candle in memory of Ruth Levy* ”



Anna Wlodarczyk & Family - June 02, 2023 at 10:22 AM

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“ I Remember Ruth for all the times we spent in NCJW endeavors. We shared in spirit all that NCJW stands for. She was my friend and we always huggd when we would see each other at Wise Temple. My deepest sympathies to all who loved her.

Roz Chaiken

Rosalid Chaken - June 01, 2023 at 03:37 PM

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Ruthy and I go back to 1960 when we met because Jim Levy, Jack Benmayor, Jack Hazen, and my late husband, Ron Fegelman were classmates at UC, PRE MED..So the four wives were friends too. Alice Fegelman

Alice Fegelman - June 02, 2023 at 09:22 AM