



## Rebecca Salky Winston

August 16, 2020

Knoxville - Winston, Rebecca Salky—born in a shtetl in Goworowo, Poland in 1921 to Samuel and Pearl, she first met her father when she was seven years old, when Sam returned to Poland to bring his family back to their new home in Memphis, Tennessee via the S.S. Majestic through Ellis Island. His name already had been changed from Calka to Salky, and so Rivke Calka became Rebecca Salky. She married Harold J. Winston the day after she graduated from high school, in that same city, where he was finishing optometry school. She was kind. She cared about people. Whether you were her mother or father, her husband, her child, a child by marriage, a friend, or an acquaintance, you knew her as a loving person who took care of other people. Rabbi Howard Simon once said of her, "I think Becky gets up every morning and makes a list of things she is going to do for others that day." She did that until she no longer could. Her culinary skills are legendary, and when she hosted the kiddish at Temple Beth El, attendance was strong. Our memories of her impeccably set tables, her delicious meals, her love of Harold, her children, her nieces and nephews, and her friends, her beautiful life lived in devotion to her big, extended family and her values, and without regret, will sustain us. She was preceded in death by her husband of 69 years, Harold J. Winston, by her sisters and brothers-in-law, Shirley Rose and Victor Williger, Frieda and Al Burson, and by her brother Benny Salky. She is survived by four grateful children, all of whom have their parents' great optimism and good humor, Jerry M. Winston, Larry I. Winston, Barry A. Winston, and Susan R. (Mark) Young; three daughters by marriage; Lisa, Barbara, and Annette Winston; ten grandchildren, Trent, Brett, and Johnathon, Samuel and Alexander Winston, Andrea Kiser and Robyn Tomioka, and Jennifer, Margot and Winston Young; and 13 great-grandchildren, sister-in-law Hermine Salky, and 12 nieces and nephews, all of whom adored her. Others she cherished and who cherish her are lifelong friends Leona Popkin Spritz, Regina Evans, Anita Worsham, and David Moiger. She died early August 16, 2020, holding the hand of a loving hospice nurse, Jessica. How does one pay tribute to such a remarkable woman, whose role as wife, mother, and grandmother was filled with such love, devotion, and incredible food? We will live as Mom would want us to live, devoted to family and friends, and loving them all unconditionally. Memorial donations may be made to Temple Beth El, 3037 Kingston Pike, 37919. A Graveside service will be held 2:00 PM Tuesday at New

Jewish Cemetery. Friends may go to the Rose Mortuary Mann Heritage Chapel Facebook Page, 2:00 PM Tuesday, August 18, 2020 to view the graveside service. Rabbi Erin Boxt and Rabbi Alon Ferency will officiate. In lieu of flowers, please make memorial donations to Temple Beth El, 3037 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919 or the charity of your choice. Online tributes/condolences may be viewed at <http://www.rosemortuary.com>. Arrangements provided by Rose Mortuary Mann Heritage Chapel.

Please click link below to view the Facebook livestream:

<https://www.facebook.com/RoseMannHeritage/>

# Comments

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“ Dr. Barry and Family, I'm so sorry to learn about your mother. I know she and your father were not only pillars of our community, but wonderful, kind people as well. Sending prayers for comfort and peace. Eileen Weber

**Eileen Weber** - August 18, 2020 at 09:32 PM

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“ We wanted to express our deepest sympathies. Rick and Lori Hinchey

**Lori Hinchey** - August 18, 2020 at 09:29 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. Susie and Mark, thinking about you and the rest of the family. Condolences.

**Gordon Williams and Family** - August 18, 2020 at 12:06 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rebecca Salky Winston.



August 18, 2020 at 09:23 AM

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“ Charlene and I are saddened to learn of Becky's passing. She was a classy lady that we had the good fortune to know during both our stints in Knoxville. May her name and memory be for a blessing. Charlene and Jeff Gubitiz

**Jeff and Charlene Gubitiz** - August 17, 2020 at 11:39 PM

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“ Growing up with y'all two houses away, I have such fond memories of both your parents. Your Mother was always so loving and caring. I can still hear her calling for Susie when we were in the back of the house. Fun times

Ruthie Kuhlman - August 17, 2020 at 05:11 PM

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“ My love and a prayer goes to Dr Jerry and Lisa in this sad time.. Mrs Winston's OB reflected her great love for her family. What a blessing to have had a long life..Marge Fowler (Lisa's aunt)



Marge Fowler - August 17, 2020 at 01:13 PM

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“ It is an honor and a privilege to know the Winston family and to have been patients of Drs Harold, Jerry, and Barry.

My family became acquainted with Dr Harold and family back as early as 1964 and remember Mrs Winston being in the office. Any time we were in the office, she and her family were always the same, happy, smiling faces willing to listen as business was conducted.

My sister, Easter Williams Boles and i, are sorry to hear of your mother's passing. We are praying and asking the LORD to comfort each of you and give you peace that passeth all understanding

Malinda Williams Boles



Malinda Williams Boles - August 17, 2020 at 10:15 AM

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“ My condolences to the Winston Family in the loss of your loving mother. I pray your memories of times with your mother will feel your hearts with much love in the days ahead.

**Sandra Farmer Burkey** - August 16, 2020 at 11:07 PM