



Esfir "Fira" Epshteyn

September 23, 1934 - September 22, 2021

Esfir Epshteyn "Fira"

With great sadness we announce the death of Esfir Epshteyn "Fira", who passed away on September 22nd, 2021 at 10:35am peacefully, surrounded by family in Minneapolis, MN. Fira was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was born in Minsk, Belarus on September 23rd, 1934. Fira had a difficult upbringing that she turned into a beautiful life. As a Jewish woman, she survived WW2 by escaping Minsk at the age of six with her family in which she lost nearly everything. When she returned to Minsk years later, she studied to become a dentist which was her profession for many years. In 1954, she met her husband, Ilya, and shared a loving, beautiful marriage with him for 66 years. In 1992, they decided to leave their longstanding home of Minsk, and moved to the United States with their entire family, eventually settling in Minneapolis. Ilya and Esfir loved to travel the world, and together they visited nearly 80 countries. They share three children: Larisa, Rita, and Igor, six grandchildren: Vadim, Dmitry, Nina, Robert, Michelle, and Natalie, and six great-grandchildren: Levy, Sasha, Sophie, Mila, Isabelle, and Olivia. Having a close-knit family continues to be the legacy that Fira has left, and she will be greatly missed by each of us. A visitation will be held on Friday, September 24th from 1-2pm at Hodroff-Epstein Memorial Chapel in Minneapolis, followed by a funeral service at 2:30pm at Adath-Yeshurun Cemetery.

Cemetery

Adath Yeshurun Cemetery

5605 France Ave. So.
Edina, MN, 55410

Events

SEP **Visitation** 01:00PM - 02:00PM

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Hodroff-Epstein Memorial Chapel Minneapolis
126 E Franklin Ave, Minneapolis, MN, US, 55404

SEP **Graveside Service** 02:30PM

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Comments



“ Dear Ilya, Igor, Rita, Lora and your family,

Our love thoughts and deepest sympathies are with you and your entire family!
Fira was beautiful, wise and amazing woman!

We hope that all of you will find the inner strength to get you through this sad and difficult time.

Serge S. and Marina R.

Marina Rabichev - September 24, 2021 at 12:54 PM



“ My deepest condolences to Fira's family. Her husband three children, Larissa, Rita and Egor. And all of their children. Especially the great grand children, my grandchildren Levy and Mila Bartlov. I saw how patient and kind she was towards you both. I can ever hope that I can be the Grandma she was. She gracefully devoted her time equally to all. Such a kind soul. I am saddened that you are no longer with us but take joy in knowing the lasting legacy you leave behind. You are a strong powerful compassionate woman. Rest In Peace. With Love, Veronica Vigil

Veronica Vigil - September 23, 2021 at 10:44 PM