



Edward Zissman

February 20, 1948 - October 1, 2018

Edward Herman Zissman, affectionately known throughout his life as Eddie, was surrounded by family when he lost his battle with glioblastoma on October 1st, 2018.

Eddie was born on February 20, 1948, to Jennie Moskowitz Zissman and the Reverend Phillip Zissman in El Paso, Texas. He was a graduate of El Paso High School where he was quarterback of his football team. He was active in the Jewish community and was a BBG beau. Upon high school graduation in 1966, Eddie attended the University of Texas at Austin where he earned degrees in pharmacy and pharmacology.

He was a loyal, Lead Pharmacist at Eckerd and CVS for over 40 years. He took enormous pride in his career and was a vital part in the care and well-being of the many patients whose lives he touched.

Eddie is preceded in death by his wife Debra Friedman Zissman, mother of his children Heather and Eric, Debra's parents, Sonny and Francis Friedman, his parents, and his brother-in-law, Marvin Dinesman.

In 1993, Eddie met Deborah Greenfield Zissman and they married a year and a half later. They shared travel, laughter, and the closeness of a large, loving family. Debbie survives Eddie as do his children: daughter Heather Fishman

and husband Douglas, son Eric Zissman, son Jonathon Reckles and wife Suzie, daughter Meredith Bleiler and husband Seth, and his grandchildren Hannah and Justin Fishman. Eddie is also survived by his in-laws, Marianne and Larry Greenfield, sister Rhea Dinesman, brother-in-law Joel Friedman and wife Tevia, sister-in-law Elizabeth Krohn and husband Matt, sister-in-law Michelle Stone and husband Howard, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Eddie's kindness had no limits. There was never a favor, a mitzvah, that he would refuse for anyone. Whether it was pitching in when his children moved residences, working with Debbie in their business efforts, or cutting the grass at the family ranch, Eddie was always there. He was the most incredible dad and grandpa, spending endless amounts of time with his children and grandchildren creating lasting memories. He had a witty sense of humor, a knack for storytelling, spoke 7 languages, and loved playing guitar. He had an adventurous spirit and enjoyed scuba diving and skydiving with his sons. Like a true Texan, Eddie was always proudly wearing cowboy boots, cheering on his Longhorns, and thoroughly enjoyed all the time he spent at his family ranch. Eddie loved to dress for the occasion and lit up the room with his outgoing, friendly personality. He was a role model to all who knew him and took great pride in a job well done. The works of his hands and the love he instilled in hearts of those who knew him will keep Eddie's memory a blessing.

Funeral services will be held at Emanu El Synagogue, 1500 Sunset Boulevard, on Thursday, October 4th, 2018 at 10 am. A graveside service will immediately follow at Beth Yeshurun Cemetery, 1037 Post Oak Road. That evening, a short service and dinner will be held at Emanu El Synagogue at 6 pm.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Music Therapy Program at TIRR Memorial Hermann online at www.memorialhermann.org/do

nate, by mail to 929 Gessner, Suite 2650, Houston, TX 77024, or by phone at 713-242-4400. Please note in the comments that the donation is designated in memory of Eddie Zissman to the TIRR Music Therapy Program. Donations are also welcome to Jewish Family Service at www.jfshouston.org.

Tribute Wall

FK

“ *Very sorry to read about the sad demise of Eddie. May his soul rest in peace .Please accept my heartfelt condolences and may the Almighty God give all the family members to bear this immense loss. I knew Eddie for more than 30 years when he worked for Eckerd and CVS and was always ready to help out .Cannot forget his cheerful attitude.*

Fehmida Karachiwala - February 08, 2019 at 09:16 AM