



Esther Topek Lepow

September 22, 1922 - March 28, 2025

Esther Topek Lepow passed away Friday, March 28, 2025. Esther was born in Houston, Texas on September 22, 1922. Esther was an accomplished singer performing at Jewish weddings as a teenager. Esther's passing, at the incredible age of 102, signals the end of an era as she was the last Topek of her generation being preceded in death by her seven siblings, Freida, Aaron, Ann, Minnie, Helen, Sammy and Nathan, all of blessed memory.

Esther attended San Jacinto High School and then went on to earn her bachelor's degree from The University of Houston. This was the start of a long Lepow Cougar tradition as all four of Esther's sons attended UH and her daughter attended the UH Law Center. Esther met the love of her life, Morris E. Lepow, of blessed memory, a University of Texas Dental School student, on a blind date in the pre-war 1940's. Upon his graduation, Esther and Morris married and moved to San Leandro, California to complete Morris's military service as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy. They returned to Houston and began building their family culminating in building "that house on N. Braeswood" that everyone knew and loved to visit. Theirs was a love story like no other as they were truly inseparable throughout their more than sixty year marriage which ended with Morris's death in 2007. They can now be together again.

Esther can be described as smart, strong, beautiful, tenacious and strict. She

and Morris required their children to pursue education and to achieve advanced degrees after college. Esther was a homemaker and later a substitute teacher at what is now known as the Jack Segal Academy of Beth Yeshurun. Esther is also described by all who knew her as a real Texas lady with an impeccable sense of style.

Her greatest accomplishment is the familial legacy she leaves behind – her beloved children, Ronnie Lepow (Diane), Gary Lepow (Gloria), Kenny Lepow, Randy Lepow (Dana), and Lisa Lepow Turboff (Phillip); cherished grandchildren, Jeffrey Lepow (Heather), Natalie Lepow, Brian Lepow (Olya), Denise Lepow (Ryan Port), Lauren Lepow (Josh Stieber), Spencer Lepow, Jonathan Lepow (Emily), Brandon Lepow, of blessed memory, Philip Lepow (Melissa), Garrett Lepow, Cammy Turboff, Molly Turboff and Meier Turboff; and precious great grandchildren, Samantha Lepow, Elliott Lepow, Malcolm Lepow, Liam Lepow, Autumn Port, Jude Port, Daphne Stieber, Benjamin Lepow, Bradley Lepow, and Brooke Lepow.

A chapel service will be held on Sunday afternoon, March 30, 2025 at 3:00 PM in the Sofia and Jack Bender Memorial Chapel at Beth Yeshurun Post Oak Cemetery, 7445 Awty School Lane, Houston, TX 77055. Those of you wishing to view the chapel service remotely please use the following link: <https://venue.streamspot.com/f8d04b5b>

The entire Lepow family would like to thank Esther's caregivers these last few years, including LaToscha Miller and the entire staff at Seven Acres who provided her with such loving and compassionate care.

Cemetery Details

Beth Yeshurun Post Oak Cemetery

7445 Awty School Ln.
Houston, TX 77055

Previous Events

Cemetery Chapel Service

MAR 30. 3:00 PM (CT)

Sophia and Jack Bender Memorial Chapel
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