



Huguette Rossano Bornstein

April 21, 1930 - June 10, 2025

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Huguette Rossano Bornstein on Tuesday, June 10, 2025. Born on April 21, 1930, Huguette touched the lives of so many with her kindness, advice, and strong spirit.

Huguette was born in Alexandria, Egypt, where she lived a fairytale life surrounded by royalty and luxury. Her childhood was filled with joy and the love of her parents, Jacques Rossano and Yolande Matalon Rossano--pillars of the community who instilled in her values and resilience. After the changes in the government in the mid-1950s, the family escaped Egypt and settled throughout Europe.

Huguette attended English Girls College in Alexandria and then pursued her education, graduating from Columbia University. In trying to make a life for herself, she moved to New York for a chance at a successful life. With very little money and a work visa, she started a job with the Women's Haberdashers where she helped women such as Marilyn Monroe, Jackie Onassis, and Madame Alexander (just to drop a few names as she loved to do!). After seven years in New York, she went on a blind date with Leon Bornstein. He proposed 2 weeks later and they married in Houston, Texas where she lived the rest of her life married for almost 50 years. They worked together at their stores which were all over the Houston area.

They were known as Mr. and Mrs. B of Golden Needle Fabrics. While running that business, Huguette also dabbled in real estate having Leon go get his broker's license so he could do the paperwork side of business! They worked as a team their entire time together and will be together again finally after 15 years.

Huguette enjoyed life and approached every part of her life fearlessly and with zest! She was an artist (which her granddaughter, Alexandra, inherited her talent!), competed in sports, loved travel, and always had a positive attitude for new adventure. She shared her passion with family and friends.

Huguette Sarah Rossano married Leon Calvin Bornstein in 1966. Together they built a loving home filled with warmth. Huguette was a devoted mother to her son, Gerard Ben Lassin, and her daughter, Valerie Bornstein Green. She cherished every moment spent with them and was always there to provide guidance and wisdom, and above all, love. Huguette is survived by her beloved children, Valerie Bornstein Green and Gerard Ben Lassin; cherished grandchildren; Alexandra Green, David and Laurene Ben Lassin; great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Monday, June 16, 2025 in the Sophia and Jack Bender Chapel at Beth Yeshurun Post Oak Cemetery, Rabbi Brian Strauss officiating. The service will be livestreamed and available for viewing for 90 days after the service. <https://venue.streamspot.com/f8d04b5b>

Rest in peace, Huguette Rossano Bornstein. You will forever be missed and always remembered by so many.

Cemetery Details

Beth Yeshurun Post Oak Cemetery

7445 Awty School Ln.
Houston, TX 77055

Previous Events

Cemetery Chapel Service

JUN 16. 2:30 PM (CT)

Sophia and Jack Bender Memorial Chapel
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Houston, TX 77055

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Tribute Wall

KR

“ Dear Valerie, By chance I came across the obituary of your mother. I don't know if you remember me, but we were friends at Herod. I fondly remember your mother as a glamorous and worldly person in our provincial neighborhood. I'm sorry for your loss. May her memory be a blessing. Sincerely, Karey Rawitscher

Karey Rawitscher - June 17, 2025 at 03:36 PM

VA

I do remember you! Thank you so much for reaching out. Would love to reconnect somehow. Possibly through facebook?

valerie - December 02, 2025 at 03:24 PM

ES

“ Madame you were truly one of a kind! Full of fire and life! I will forever think of you when I'm listening to Opera music!! It was such a pleasure spending time together ❤️



Emily Scheckelhoff - June 17, 2025 at 02:07 PM

CH

“ Chère Valérie et famille,
Nous voudrions te dire combien nous partageons ton chagrin et t'aider par notre affection à trouver le courage de surmonter ta peine.
Je t'embrasse tendrement
Phil, Alex et Eglé Choremi

Choremi - June 16, 2025 at 07:03 AM

VA



valerie - December 02, 2025 at 03:25 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.



June 16, 2025 at 05:53 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.

June 16, 2025 at 05:53 AM

BF

“ Ben Lassin Family purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.



Ben Lassin Family - June 15, 2025 at 03:21 PM

BF

“ Ben Lassin Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.

Ben Lassin Family - June 15, 2025 at 03:21 PM

SR

“ Susan R. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.



Susan R. - June 15, 2025 at 10:52 AM

SR

“ Susan R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.

Susan R. - June 15, 2025 at 10:52 AM

RI

“ Richard purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.



Richard - June 14, 2025 at 04:02 PM

RA

“ Rhodes Group - Sabrina, David and Ashley planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.

Rhodes Group - Sabrina, David and Ashley - June 13, 2025 at 02:35 PM

IM

“ Ingrid M. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.

Ingrid M. - June 13, 2025 at 11:52 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Huguetta Rossano Bornstein.



June 12, 2025 at 06:59 PM



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