



## Lawrence Wizel

November 21, 1943 - January 31, 2018

Lawrence S. Wizel, 74, died Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at home in Houston, following a long, brave battle with cancer.

Larry leaves his wife of 50 years, Rona (Resnick) Wizel; his son, Neil Wizel and his daughter-in-law Jennifer Wizel; his grandchildren, Henry, Grace, Anna and Camille; his brother Gary Wizel, and many close friends and former colleagues.

Born and raised in New York, the son of Abraham and Raye Wizel, he was a lifelong resident of Long Island, New York and, since 2008, split his time between New York and Houston, Texas where his son, daughter-in-law and grandchildren reside.

Upon graduation from Far Rockaway High School in 1961, he attended Michigan State University, graduating in 1965 with a bachelor's degree in Accounting. Shortly after graduating college, Larry met Rona Resnick and they were married in 1968.

Directly following his college graduation, Larry joined Deloitte as a Staff Accountant. He would work at Deloitte for over 40 years, more than 25 of them as a Partner, eventually retiring from the firm in 2006. During his time at Deloitte he held a variety of senior leadership positions within a number of

practice areas and developed particular expertise as it relates to capital markets and M&A transactions. Larry took enormous pride in his career and his time at Deloitte but most importantly relished the friendships he developed over his more than 50 years in business. Following his retirement from Deloitte he served as an advisor to a specialty accounting firm and on the boards of several public and private companies.

Over the course of his adult life, Larry dedicated significant time and personal resources to a variety of philanthropic endeavors, serving on the boards of several charities including The American Jewish Committee - New York Chapter, Friends of the Arts, and Helen Keller Services for the Blind where he served for many years as Chairman.

An avid golfer, Larry was a longtime member of Glen Head Country Club in New York and, later in life, joined gun clubs in both New York and Houston after having taken up skeet shooting. Larry also indulged in many other pursuits including travel, fly fishing and collecting electric trains and antique toy soldiers. However, Larry's greatest pleasure was tending to his grandchildren - sharing his stories and collections and doing frequent carpool runs; his broad smile revealed his deep joy when they called him by name, "Papa."

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Helen Keller Services for the Blind at [www.helenkeller.org](http://www.helenkeller.org) or to Houston Methodist Hospital at [www.houstonmethodist.org](http://www.houstonmethodist.org)

A funeral service will be held in Houston on Friday, February 2, 2018 at 2:00pm at Congregation Beth Israel Memorial Garden at Woodlawn Cemetery, 1101 Antoine Drive.

A memorial service will be held in New York City on Thursday, February 8,

2018 at 2:00pm at The Harmonie Club, 4 East 60th Street.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I worked for Larry at Deloitte, which I left in 2001. I remember Larry as a wonderful human being, ever cheerful and upbeat and a mentor who always had time to share. It's a bit shameful on my part to be looking up the people I admired only now, as I come to terms with my own mortality. I now have a condition that Larry had at the time. Our lives on this planet are but a sliver of the history of this universe, but Larry always shone like a star to me in my time at the World Financial Center. He is missed.

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