



## Malvina D Keselman

November 4, 1954 - August 11, 2021

Malvina Keselman passed away surrounded by loved ones, on Wednesday, August 11th 2021. She was born on November 11, 1954, the youngest child of Itta and David Vays. She grew up to be a concert violinist and a beloved violin teacher to innumerable children. Teaching was her passion and her students frequently kept in touch years after they moved away to go college. She touched so many lives with her wit, laughter, and gentle expectation of excellence. Her true love, however, was her family. Her favorite holiday was Thanksgiving where the entire family would gather. She was never more proud than when she had all of her children and grandchildren sitting around her dining room table. She is preceded in death by her parents, Itta and David Vays, and her sister, Nina Bekker. She is survived by her husband, Alexander Keselman, her children, Diana and Michael Racusin, and Maggie and Travis Wilkes, her nephew Simon Bekker and his wife Jennifer Bekker, her grandchildren Jacob, David, Evie, and Noah, and her grandnieces Naomi and Ilana. A graveside service will be officiated by Rabbi Dan Gordon at 11:15 in the afternoon of August 15th, at Emanu El Memorial Park.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *She was the best violin teacher I ever had. I am so sorry for your loss.*

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**Erin Snyder** - October 26, 2021 at 07:23 PM

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“ *I'm so sad to hear of her death. She was the best violin teacher. No one before or after could match her ability to help me reach my potential or catch me when I hadn't practiced, haha. She was such a blessing to my life. I'll never forget her. - Christina Witten (Minshall), a student from Wichita in the early to mid 1990's*

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**Christina Witten** - October 26, 2021 at 05:46 PM