



Marilyn J. Goldfinger

February 25, 1942 - December 10, 2019

Marilyn Janice Greenberg Goldfinger was born on February 25, 1942 in Boston, Massachusetts to Leo and Sara Greenberg. She grew up in Brookline, Massachusetts and attended Girls Latin School. Her family moved to Long Beach, California where she graduated from Polytechnic High School in 1959. She then went on to attend Hebrew Union College in Los Angeles and Long Beach State College. She graduated in 1964 with a degree in Elementary Education from East Texas State University in Commerce, Texas.

She met her husband of 56 years, Joel, at the Jewish Community Center in Long Beach when he was on shore leave from the Navy. They married July 6, 1963.

Marilyn transitioned from big city east and west coast environments to small town life in Texas without skipping a beat. She lived and raised her family in Greenville from 1964-1980.

She had a strong Jewish cultural identity and was always dedicated to Jewish education.

Marilyn had 4 children that she drove from Greenville to Dallas daily to attend Akiba Academy. She eventually became a teacher there from 1974-1995 and taught everything from Pre-School to 4th grade.

Over the last 19 years she fought Parkinson's Disease and did her best to not let that slow her down. She gave generously of her baking talents to the Dallas Area Parkinsonism Society in Plano.

Marilyn is survived by her husband, Joel Goldfinger, children Cheri Goldstein, Stephen Goldfinger, Marcia Goldfinger and Michael Goldfinger as well as her grandchildren, Joey and Noah Goldstein and Joshua Goldfinger. She is also survived by her brother Allen Greenberg.