



## Phoebe Brown

December 3, 1925 - March 19, 2024

Phoebe R. Brown passed away peacefully on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at the age of 98.

Phoebe was born in Brooklyn, New York to Esther (Jaffe) and Philip Sharfstein. Phoebe was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Charles S. Brown, parents Esther and Philip Sharfstein, and brother Harvey Sharfstein.

She is survived by her daughter Lynn Brown and son-in-law Daniel Weber, her son Frederic Brown and daughter-in-law, Joanna, along with grandchildren Gabriel, Aryeh and Chana Esther.

She earned a BS from Brooklyn College in NY and Masters in Labor Economics from the University of Wisconsin Madison. Her professional career was spent working for the city of New York in the Department of Housing and Urban Development, where she worked on creating labor laws for city workers. Phoebe would later testify in Federal Congressional hearings regarding these laws.

Phoebe enjoyed the outdoors and travel. It was on a bicycle trip up the east coast that she met her husband, Charles. Together she and Charles enjoyed traveling, the performing arts and raising their two children in Scarsdale, NY.

Phoebe and Charles relocated to Houston in 1989. They loved its vibrant cultural life.

She was involved in various spiritual growth groups. Her intelligence, authenticity and sense of adventure allowed her to form lasting friendships. Phoebe never met a stranger. She loved family, life, learning and humor.

Donations may be made in Phoebe's memory to Hadassah (<https://www.hadassah.org/donate>) or The Medallion Assisted Living in Houston (<https://www.sevenacres.org/donate>).

A graveside service was held on March 20, 2024 at Emanu El Memorial Park.

# Cemetery Details

## Emanu El Memorial Park

8341 Bissonnet St  
Houston, TX 77074

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 20. 4:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



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**Daniel Weber** - July 09, 2025 at 04:01 PM