

Michael Katz

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Michael Norman Katz was born in Fargo, North Dakota on August 12, 1939 and passed away in Dallas, Texas on December 15, 2005. He was raised in Fargo and spent his early years and teens there. Michael attended St. Thomas Military Academy and graduated from the University of Arizona.

Michael grew up in Fargo, ND with his brother, Ronald, mother, Sophie, and father, Fred. His father, Fred Katz, was one of the principal owners of Ed Phillips & Sons Co, of Fargo. Fred was a resident of Fargo for more than 50 years, and a graduate pharmacist from North Dakota State University. As a family, the Katzes were active in many City, County and State community activities.

Michael was an international business man, a loving husband and father to his four children. His pride and joy were his children. Michael once wrote, "The lesson herein is that the measure of a man, is not his wealth in terms of monetary holdings, but his donation to society in aesthetic terms. Remember, when the waiter came up to us and looked at you two girls and said to me, sir, you are a rich man! I am that indeed, as I have two wonderful daughters, two beautiful bright young women. My sons give me life and joy every day as you do. I live on because of you. Thank you, it is a profound presentation of what life is all about. Money is round, but to have the love of one's children, that is the gold at the end of the rainbow."

Michael will be missed forever and will always be remembered in the hearts of his family. He was his girls' knight in shining armor and his sons' hero. His love will live on for all eternity.

Mr. Katz is survived by his daughters, Robbyn Katz of Denver; Traci (Kevin) Fradkin of Denver; his wife Dale Katz and sons, Simon Katz and Spencer Katz of Dallas, Texas and grandson Max Cameron Fradkin of Denver; and his brother Ronald (Leona) Katz of Los Angeles. A private memorial service took place at Agudas Achim cemetery in North Dallas. Contributions can be made to the David Reisman memorial fund at The Hebrew Educational Alliance, 3600 S. Ivanhoe St., Denver, CO 80237.

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