

Morton M. Levine

BIRTH 10 Jan 1916

DEATH 2 Jan 2008 (aged 91)

BURIAL Temple Israel Memorial Park
Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, USA

MEMORIAL ID 175486695



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Born January 10, 1916 Duluth. Died January 2, 2008 Minneapolis. Survived by his greatest colleague and partner in life, his wife of 69 years, Natalie. Also survived by daughters, Harriet (Bruce) Bart and Tammy Farace, grandchildren, Bradley (Susan), Eden (Paul), and Gavin (Caprice), and great grandchildren Lea, Aliza, Ellen, Nina and Nathan. Mort was extremely proud of his family and inspired them toward greater humanity.

Mort was a career officer with the U.S. Department of Justice, specializing in intelligence, immigration and security. During his career he chased spies, served as an administrative judge in the INS, reported the futility of building a fence along the US Mexico border (1954!), advised the National Security Counsel and US Attorneys General, and fought for the laws of the land. Following the assassination of President Kennedy, Mort's knowledge of Lee Harvey Oswald's background was crucial to early investigations and resulted in offers of promotion. Choosing family over career Mort and Natalie left Washington, DC and returned to Minnesota to be with their family. In 1975 he retired from his position as Assistant Commissioner of Security Northwest Region. Though blinded in his 50's Mort remained a seer. In retirement he served as ombudsman at the Minneapolis Jewish Community Center. His wisdom, warmth and optimism touched everyone he met. He remained keenly interested in politics frequently offered advice about past lessons in democracy to local, state, and national politicians and the listening audience of Air America. Politically active into his 90's, he was pained by the recent erosion of civil liberties and hoped to survive long enough to see them restored. Mort was a true patriot and loved his country beyond measure.

In lieu of flowers/donations Mort would like everyone to read the Publius' Federalist Papers and Sun Tzu's The Art of War.

1940 Duluth, St. Louis, MN Census:

Morton M. Levine 24

Samuel Levine 52 yrs, Male

Sheba Levine 50 yrs, Female

Marian Levine 19 yrs, Female

Rosalie Levine 15 yrs, Female

Family Members

Parents



Samuel Levine
1888–1967



Sheba Levine
1890–1976

Spouse



Natalie *Davis* Levine
1916–2008 (m. 1938)

Children



Tamara Lorraine *Levine* Seacor-Farace
1942–2008

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