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## Lois Florence Poplack

March 15, 1919 - June 22, 2016

Our mother, Lois Florence Light Poplack, was born in San Francisco where her father, our grandfather, David Light, owned a lunch counter called D'Lights. Not long after her birth the family moved to Portland, Oregon where, in 1920, our grandfather partnered with his brother-in-law, Harry Zavín, to open what became a well known Portland furniture store, Star Furniture Company, for over 60 years. Star Furniture supplied summer jobs for several generations of family members, including our mother, and partnerships for our father, Gerry Poplack (died July 24, 2006), her brother Harold Light, and cousins Leon Lieppman and Don Zavín.

Mom and dad had four children, Jan, Rick, Jim and Sue and mom's major job for many years was raising us to adulthood. Unfortunately, Susie became ill in 1959 shortly after being chosen Junior Rose Festival Queen and complications from her illness led to her premature death at age 35 in 1985. Susie's death weighed heavily upon mom and dad for the rest of their lives.

During our youth mom was fortunate to have help raising us and she was able to volunteer for many years with the Red Cross and the Donald E Long Home. Dad spent much of his time working at the furniture store, but he volunteered with the Robison Jewish Home and was its President in the late 1980s.

Mom and dad had worlds of friends and we remember them going to and throwing many parties, during our entire upbringing, and into their 70s and early 80s. Both parents loved golf and, as members of the Tualatin Country Club, they devoted many of their summer nights entertaining themselves on the course and our father played in a number of Oregon Senior golf tournaments with his golfing buddies. Both parents were devoted to their friends and especially enjoyed spending time with them playing games. Mom belonged to bridge and MahJong clubs while dad played poker and bridge with friends for many years.

Although it was a crushing blow to mom when dad died from cancer in 2006 after 65 years of marriage, she lived an independent life for several years, first in her own home and later at an independent living facility. Mom's final six years at the Rose Schnitzer Manor where she was lovingly cared for by a number of caregivers, but especially Grace, Ere, Denorah, and Minerva. We thank all of her caregivers for their devotion and concern for mom.

Mom is survived by her children, Jan (Mike), Rick and Jim, her grandchildren Amy, Aaron, Laurel, Julie (Frank), Lisa (fiancee Andy), Todd (Simone), David, Rachel (Goyo), her great grandchildren Lauryn, Kaden, Grayson, Xiuh Xiuh and Felix, her sister and brother-in-law Dorothy and Ray Packouz, and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be held at 2:30 PM on Monday, June 27, at the Landau Chapel, Beth Israel Cemetery, 426 SW Taylors Ferry Rd, Portland. This will be followed by a shiva minyan in the Zidell Hall at Rose Schnitzer Manor, 6140 SW Boundary St, Portland.

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### Service Information

Service Cemetery

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**Date:** Monday, June 27, 2016  
**Time:** 02:30 pm

#### Landau Chapel at Beth Israel Cemetery.

Address:  
426 SW Taylors Ferry Road  
Portland, Oregon 97219

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