



Bat Mitzvah of
Lily Egan

חדוה גבריאלה

Chedva Gavriella

Daughter of Yisraela Nechama & Sister of Yaakova Laika

August 21, 2021

13 Elul 5781

Parashat Ki Teitzei

Dear friends and family,

We are so delighted that you will be able to celebrate with us as Lily becomes a Bat Mitzvah. Thank you for being a part of our circle of family, friends, and community.

When Lily becomes a Bat Mitzvah, she is considered an adult in the Jewish community, and therefore is responsible for her actions and beliefs. As an adult, she takes on the responsibility of fulfilling the moral and ethical commandments of Judaism.

The following are a few things about our service that might be helpful:

Jewish ritual items during the service: many people wear a prayer shawl called a **tallit**. The fringes on the tallit remind us of the mitzvot (commandments or sacred obligations) in Judaism. Today Lily will wear a tallit for the first time. Many people may also wear a **kippah or yarmulke** (Hebrew or Yiddish for head covering). It is a sign of humility - reminding us that there is Something Greater than humans.

The Shabbat (Sabbath) morning service:

We open with blessings appreciating the gift of life, followed by **Barechu**, the call to worship, **Yotzer Or**, a blessing thanking G-d for the act of creation and then **the Shema**, Judaism's central prayer affirming our faith in one G-d.

We celebrate our freedom and pledge to work for the freedom of everyone who is enslaved as we sing **Mi Chamocha**—the song our ancestors sang after they crossed the Sea of Reeds.

The service then continues with the **Amidah**, which begins with a blessing connecting us with our ancestors. Then we join in a prayer that affirms and appreciates the ways that G-d can be a source of strength in our lives. We continue with a prayer that reflects how we can live lives of holiness, and then we bring this section to a close with a prayer for peace.

Torah Service:

Our service continues with the Torah service. The Torah is made up of the first five books of the Bible: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. It contains the wisdom, ideas, customs, and laws of the Jewish people. The words are hand-written in Hebrew on a scroll made of parchment.

Each week Jews read from a specific portion of the Torah. The portion from which we read this Shabbat is **Ki Teitzei from Deuteronomy**. There will be a total of three Aliyot. They will be chanted by Lily.

Before each Aliyah is chanted, a blessing is said, expressing gratitude for the gift of learning from the Torah. **When Lily chants the blessing over her third Aliyah, she officially becomes a Bat Mitzvah!**

After that, she will share her **D'var Torah**, teaching us something that she learned from studying this portion. It is customary at a simcha (joyous event) such as a Bat Mitzvah, to shower the young person with candy. Candy symbolizes the sweetness of the occasion. **We invite you to join in our simcha by showering Lily with candy** when the rabbi tells you to do so.

Before we conclude the Torah service, we will sing a prayer for healing, the **MiShebeirach**.

It is customary to share the names of those who are in need of physical, emotional or spiritual healing, in the hope that our prayers will raise their spirits and be a source of uplift for those who love and care for them. **We invite you to share names out loud.**

Our service closes with the **Mourner's Kaddish**, a prayer remembering those who have died.

At the conclusion of the service, Cayden Barrocas, Lily's cousin who will soon be a Bat Mitzvah, will join Lily to lead us in **blessings over wine and bread**.

We encourage you to participate in whatever way feels most authentic for you--by praying or reading the translations or beautiful interpretations of the prayers out loud, or simply by sitting quietly and listening to prayers as they are said.

Many people choose to honor a significant moment in a person's life by making a donation. We welcome your donation to KHN in honor of Lily becoming a Bat Mitzvah, if that is meaningful to you. Our address is found at the end of the booklet.

Thank you for being with us to share in Lily's special day!

Cara

Participants in the Service:

Reading: Sophie Egan: poem

Presentation of the tallit: Ruth Shapiro

סדר קריאת התורה

Torah Service

Passing of the Torah through the Generations:

Ruth Shapiro, Richard Shapiro, David Robbins, Rachel Barrocas, Andrew Barrocas, Cara Egan, Sophie Egan, and Lily Egan

Dressing/Undressing Torah:

David Robbins and Andrew Barrocas

Aliyah #1:

Deut. 23:23-26

Torah Blessing:

Rachel Barrocas and Andrew Barrocas

Torah Reader: Lily Egan

Aliyah #2

Deut. 24:1-3

Torah Blessing:

Ruth Shapiro, Richard Shapiro, Cara Egan, David Robbins, Jacki Robbins, Sophie Egan

Torah Reader: Lily Egan

Aliyah #3:

Deut. 24:4-6

Torah Blessing: Lily Egan

Torah Reader: Lily Egan



In Memory of Lily Singer:

"We will never forget"

On the occasion of my Bat Mitzvah, I participated in the Twinning project with Yad Vashem, a Holocaust Museum based in Israel. My twin is named Lily Singer and she was born in Hungary in 1932. Lily had a sister named Rosy who was 3 years older. Her mom's name was Bertha and her dad's name was Joseph.

In 1944, she and her family were captured by the Nazis and sent to Auschwitz concentration camp in Poland. There she and all of her family were murdered.

She was killed at the age of 12 and probably never had the opportunity to celebrate her Bat mitzvah. I'm honoring her memory here today, and sharing my Bat Mitzvah today with her.

"Hatred is the same today as it was yesterday, we can and we must resist it. Taking stock of the past and the repercussions of hatred, history can't be let to repeat itself." - UNESCO

Closing Song:

***Here Comes the Sun* by The Beatles**

Here comes the sun do, do, do

Here comes the sun

And I say it's all right

Little darling, it's been a long cold lonely winter

Little darling, it seems like years since it's been here

Here comes the sun do, do, do

Here comes the sun

And I say it's all right

Little darling, the smiles returning to the faces

Little darling, it feels like years since it's been here

Here comes the sun do, do, do

Here comes the sun

And I say it's all right

Little darling, I feel that ice is slowly melting

Little darling, it seems like years since it's been clear

Here comes the sun do, do, do

Here comes the sun

And I say it's all right

Here comes the sun do, do, do

Here comes the sun

And I say it's all right

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