

DAD'S EULOGY

Thank you to everyone of you for being here today to honour Frank Reiman... our father.

Over the last few days our family has received tremendous outpouring of love and supporta truly healing gift...for which we are very grateful

.Earlier this week we also said goodbye to our beloved Uncle Francis who enjoyed a deep relationship.....Francis will be missed by all.

Looking around the room its clear that my father touched many lives in many different ways.

A true gentleman...a mensch .dedicated husband to Ann....and an inspirational father and mentor. Together with our mother they built a formidable partnership which we believe enriched the Bradford community at large.

Our father always lived his life with honour and respect-a great example to all of us as we grew up around him.

Personally ...its hard to imagine what my life would have been like all these years without his guidance and massive support.

Shortly Steve will share more about dads history and his early days in Czechoslovakia and the escape to the UK a set of remarkable stories

Father rose to become a successful textile director and accomplished so much in his 94 years.

One of the greatest attributes was his no nonsense approach to life...his generosity, compassion ...and wisdom which he shared to young and old alike.

Steve and myself are lucky to have so many memories to call upon....here are a few favourites

Dad spent much of his life as a textile director, steeped in foreign affairs travelling across the globe in an attempt to mimicking Alan Whicker-his passport resembled a Stanley Gibbons stamp album from Osaka to Ottawa to Otley.

As a family we had our fair share of setbacks....non more than the loss of our elder brother Larry aged 17

Back home dad used to take to drive us with the Ellingers and Ecsteins to our favourite Yorkshire landmarks such as Bingley St Ives and Kirby Longsdale... Cow and Calf in Ilkley..and if we had been well behaved a trip to Harry Ramsden was always a possibility.

We had some epic overseas journey noticeably to Rosas in Northern Spain which had many comical moments including dad managing to hold onto a boot rack of our Mark 1 Ford Cortina for some 30 miles with one hand to ensure we were suitably dressed for the Costas

In later life mum and dad were able to go further afield and enjoy some memorable cruises.

Back home many adventurous journeys we made up and down the A1/M1....some of you here today may well have accompanied dad as clocked up incredible mileage collecting his green shield stamps which I believe Guinness book of records were keen to note

We used to listen to the BBC 'Any questions' and Alistair Cooke Letter from America always prompting topical conversation as we threaded our way home past Leicester Forest East Services with a cuppa mums chicken noodle souper waiting on the stove

Besides his business Dad also enjoyed sport.... Dad had a love for tennisincluding a masterful backhandwhich I occasionally felt whilst dismally attempting maths homework sat at our bureau at 34 Heaton Grove

His talent for chess never went unnoticed...and often on a wintry afternoon we sat around a tablehe often won in 11 moves ...and whispered remember the king is stationary....the queen holds all the power....pointing at mum in the kitchen!

Football memoriesdad always looked for companionship at Valley Parade and away grounds -some of you here today will have heard my father voice ringing out from the terraces.....FOUL. Bradford City continued to yo yo between the 4 Divisions and as the quality of football deteriorated he felt the match should be shortened to 20 minutes-indeed he made his mind up to only attend the last quarter of the game when it was free to enter or exit.

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Of course we all thought Dad would live forever.....and you know in a way he does. His influence and example lives on through each of us.

Some two years ago dad said farewell to Shipley, we would like to thank Sue who had kept a vigilant eye on dads domestic affairs-including food items that were well past their extended sell by date.....Dad successfully moved to Hampton in London after a splendid farewell party at Lillian's.

Unfortunately Dad suffered a heart attack some two weeks ago and fought on. Only a few days ago Yvette and myself held hands with dad and listened to Classic FM ...and we played name that tune. Dad was still able to recognise Mozart and Bach

He slipped away peacefully in his sleep after saying goodbye to the family, including his grandchildren. Brad Lauren Dominique and Eddie

Life is about change and letting go. We must let go and ...so we will... and yet so much of Dad, we get to keep too. Incredible memories of a gentleman who lived a full life

I can see him now sitting next to mum, Francis and Larry holding Krenzien with Rita, Ernest, Freddie, Edith, Inge, Bob Robbie. Ernest and many other departed friends discussing family affairs....

He is at peace with himself and happy about living an incredible life -we will never forget you

God Bless Father

I will now read a short poem

When God saw you were getting tired
And a cure was not be
He put his arm around you
He whispered 'come to me'
He didn't like what you went through
And gave you a rest
His garden must be beautiful
He only takes the best
And when we saw you sleeping
So peaceful ...free from pain
We wouldn't wish you back
To suffer once again
Today we say goodbye
And as you take your final rest

**That garden must be beautiful
Because you are one of the best!!!!**

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Major ROY STROUD OBE, ERD, JP, DL

31st December 1920 - 24th April 2011

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As a Second Lieutenant in the Supplementary Reserve of Officers, he was called up before the Second World War was declared and sent to Egypt as part of a Royal Artillery Division of the 8th Army at the age of 18. He fought in several famous battles, rising at the age of 21 to Captain, and was seriously wounded in Libya in 1942. He was left for dead behind enemy lines but fortunately later picked up by a British ambulance along with his second in command. The ambulance was then attacked by enemy machine gun fire further injuring Roy and killing the driver and his second in command. He escaped by a clever ruse and made his way badly wounded back to British lines. He spent many months in hospital in Egypt and South Africa. He did however recover to fight another day and was demobbed from Germany in 1945 with the rank of Major. He suffered from these wounds for the rest of his life. Roy was awarded the military decoration ERD in 1980 for his services to Queen and Country..



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He was Life president of the Bradford Synagogue and for 40 Years Bradford Chairmen of JIA. A strong supporter of Israel, which he visited regularly. He was a life member of AJEX.

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In addition to their many interests and activities, for both Roy and Reka the central focus of their lives was always family, their sons Richard, Robert and Neil, supported by their wives, Denise, Laura and Yvonne, and their 9 grandchildren and spouses - Az, her husband Daniel, James and his wife Emma, Robson, Guy and his wife Jo, Rupert, Freddy, Elliott, Lloyd and his wife Dahlia and Lydia .

Az and Daniel gave the family the first member of the next generation, Amber, who arrived in 2007, followed by Jack in 2010. Roy was delighted to learn that James and Emma were expecting a child, who would be the first great grandchild to carry the Stroud name and he was born Feb 2012 and is called Joseph Roy.

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He is mourned by his family and friends. He was an inspiration for all who knew him in many aspects of his life and especially for those wishing to combine a full Jewish life with equally full engagement in the wider community. Roy's memorial stone consecration takes place on Sunday April 29th 2012 and will be for immediate family only

17th Oct 2011

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