



Flora Shirley Jayson

AUG 2, 1936 - AUG 10, 2025



Scan to Visit

Table of Contents

Obituary	Page 3
Tribute Wall	Page 5



Flora Shirley Jayson

AUG 2, 1936 - AUG 10, 2025

In Loving Memory of Flora Shirley Jayson August 2, 1936 – August 10, 2025.

Flora Shirley Jayson, beloved mother, grandmother, and cherished friend, passed away peacefully on August 10, 2025, at the age of 89. Her life was a testament to kindness, resilience, and a deep commitment to family, community, and personal growth.

Born in Newark, New Jersey, Flora spent most of her life in New York and New Jersey before settling in Delray Beach, Florida, 15 years ago.

She raised her three children—Rhonda Mallek, Sharon Woudenberg, and David Bernstein—alongside their father, Martin, in Somers, New York. She adored her grandchildren, Greivin, Xavier, Serena, and Rachel, and her sons-in-law, Robert Woudenberg and Jon Mallek. She was also a loving sister to the late Edward Jayson and sister-in-law to Agnes.

Flora's life was enriched by her love of animals—her home was always shared with the pets she adored. She was equally devoted to her faith community, becoming an active and loved member of Temple Sinai in Delray Beach.

On May 2, 2025, at 88 years old, Flora fulfilled a long-held dream when she was honored with her Bat Mitzvah, a milestone that brought her closer to her Rabbi, congregation, and spiritual heritage. Her professional life reflected her compassion and dedication to helping others.

Flora began as a school aide and later earned her bachelor's degree in her forties, going on to work as a case worker for developmentally disabled adults. Her career was marked by patience, empathy, and a belief in the dignity of every individual she served.

Flora will be remembered for her warmth, humor, and generous spirit. She believed in lifelong learning, the importance of community, and the power of small acts of kindness to change the



Obituary

Flora Shirley Jayson

AUG 2, 1936 - AUG 10, 2025

world.

A celebration of Flora's life will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 17, at Congregation Sons of Israel in Nyack, New York. Friends and family in Florida gathered on Monday, August 11, at Temple Sinai in Delray Beach to honor her memory.

Her light will continue to shine in the lives she touched, in every warm memory, and in the values she passed down to her family.



Tribute Wall

Flora Shirley Jayson

AUG 2, 1936 - AUG 10, 2025

CI

Christy Ingalls posted:

I have know Flora as Sharon's loving mother who hosted fun parties and sleepovers with pancakes for Sharon and friends since grade school. Always smiling, laughing and sharing a story! As an adult I was blessed to be reacquainted with Sharon, Rhonda and Flora when Sharon and I became neighbors. We had the pleasure of navigation our married lives and raising our children together as part of a great friendship. Flora was a wonderful part of that as we enjoyed many visits together. I'll always remember her as so fun, approachable, and easy to talk to. I will miss her smile and good company. Hugs,Christy

August 15 at 10:21 AM



Jen Tsakis posted:

My mom and I were invited to a Seder dinner at the Bernstein's home. It was the first and only time we ever did this and it was a very welcoming and special thing for her to invite us. I'll always remember her smile, and love of her adopted Greyhounds.

August 12 at 10:36 PM



David Bernstein lit a candle in honor of Flora.

I miss my mother. I wish I had done for her, particularly in the end when she needed it the most. I found her difficult to be around partly because I am so similar to her. We do not feel comfortable asking for help. This does not mean that we do not care.I saw how proficient she was in handling her affairs, her house was clean and organized. She was proficient enough with modern technology such as smart kitchen appliances and computers to use them effectively. She had a couple of cleaning ladies once a week, but she kept up the place so well they only needed to do the most difficult tasks.She became a more social being than I remember her being in the past. She was willing to change, and I believe this is why she was able to live so long. Being in Florida and me in NY I did not know her very well.She was loved, and I miss her.Her SonDavid



August 11 at 7:43 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Flora by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



Scan to Visit