



## Michael Gabriel Sachs-Leshem

May 18, 1998 - September 16, 2019

Michael Gabriel Sachs-Leshem, 21, of Los Angeles, California and formerly of Phoenixville, and Havertown/Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, passed away at 8:33 a.m., Monday, September 16, 2019 (Elul 16, 5779) surrounded by his loving family.

Michael attended Temple University (DELCO extension), Pasadena College in California and was a graduate of Haverford High School, Havertown, PA (Class of 2016), Albert Einstein Academy, Wilmington, Delaware (Class of 2010) and attended Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy until 2014. He was a recipient of the (TAP) Teen Fellowship Award and attended this Program for one year to become an instructional assistant and teaching aide to Special Needs students. Michael had his Bar Mitzvah (age 13) at Congregation Or Shalom in Berwyn, PA and went on to work there for three years (two years as an instructional assistant to a student with special needs and his third year he worked as a classroom teaching assistant with 3rd Graders. Several summers Michael worked at the Jewish Community Center (JCC) in Wynnewood, PA as a "Special Needs" Camp Counselor/Aide.

Michael was intrigued with Math, business, and saving money and as a young teenager had his own "Shoe restoration" business (which took high-end athletic shoes and restored them and then resold them). He meticulously studied shoe repair and had his own repair studio in the basement. Michael

also worked for three years with "Howard the Disc Jockey" , and was a weekend Leasing Agent with the Gallman Group for a couple of years (and all this by the age of 20).

From a young age Mikey had an affinity for the piano, playing guitar, singing and performing. He began performing with his mother in public at the age of eight and played piano, sang, set up microphones, and performed at Weddings, B'nei Mitzvahs, and sang at the Plaza and Regency Apartments during Hanukkah time for four consecutive years. His love of music and pursuit of his musical career led to his move to Los Angeles, California in 2018. By his 21st birthday Michael had succeeded in writing the poetry, composing songs, and melodies, singing and producing his first Rap/Reggae album and his first music video and had just finished his first paid speaking role in a movie. He was in the process of making a second music video and was employed at the ACE Hotel in downtown Los Angeles before his death.

Most importantly Michael was a loving human being; a wonderful grandson (he took care of his grandma Dorothea post-stroke for eight years), a loving son to his Mommy Miriam, a loving stepson-in-law to Dietrich and Evie, a loving brother to Sarina, Elishava, Marisa, and Benjamin, a loving brother-in-law to "Big Michael Walker", Todd Wolstenholme and Duncan Forester, an extraordinarily loving and caring Uncle to his niece Reese and nephews Talan and Dallas, a loving nephew to his Aunt Bi Bi, and Uncle Emmett and Aunt Nancy, a "cool" cousin to: Benito, Aleta, Zayd, Ian, Beau, Justin, a loving stepbrother-in-law to Matthew, Ross and Scott, and a fun/zany 2nd cousin to Cashman (Chatchie) in Las Vegas, the best and most loving "Godson" to his beloved Poppy and Linda" and great friend to all.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend his funeral service at Congregation Or Shalom, 835 Darby Paoli Road, Berwyn, PA on Sunday, September 22, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. Officiating will be Rabbi Kami Knapp and Hazzan Sam

Romirowsky of Congregation Or Shalom, and graveside will be officiated by Rabbi Cutler of Beth Israel Congregation.

Internment will follow in the Haym Salomon Memorial Park, Frazer, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Michael's name to Congregation Or Shalom, Berwyn, PA, Albert Einstein Academy, 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington, DE 19803, [www.EinsteinDay.org/support](http://www.EinsteinDay.org/support) or to the Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy, 272 S. Bryn Mawr Ave. Bryn Mawr, PA 19010, [www.jbha.org/giving/make-a-gift](http://www.jbha.org/giving/make-a-gift). Please memo "Educational Scholarship Fund" for either Academy. Furthermore Michael's memory will be honored by two Music Scholarships one in Nashville, Tennessee, and one through Pasadena College in California (information will be forth coming).

Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville, PA. Condolences may be offered online at [www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com](http://www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Haym Salomon Memorial Park

200 Moores Road  
Frazer, PA 19355

# Previous Events

## Funeral Ceremony

SEP **22**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Congregation Or Shalom  
835 Darby Paoli Road  
Berwyn, PA 19312

# Tribute Wall

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“ *To the family of MIKEY,I send my most sincere condolences. Karen Block*

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**Karen block** - September 26, 2019 at 03:39 PM