



Maxim Icaak Kovel

November 2, 1934 - December 24, 2019

Maxim I. Kovel was born in Brooklyn, NY on November 2, 1934. On Dec 24th, 2019 at 10:52 pm he passed peacefully at Inova Fairfax Hospital. He is survived by his wife Bernice, the love of his life for 66 years, and his 5 children. Jacob Kovel (m. Shari, children Daniel, Joshua, Hannah), Sarah Kovel (m. Al, children Jessica and Zack), Ruth Lenk (m. Arthur, children, Margalit, Ilana, Aiden), Rachel Kovel and Rebecca Gibson (m. Mark, children Elias, Miriam).

Max attended West Point, USMA and proudly graduated with the Class of '57. He served in the U.S. Army for an additional 29 years, retiring honorably in 1986. Along the way he had many accomplishments and earned many awards. These include a MS from North Carolina State College and a PhD from the University of California-Davis. While in the Army, he was posted to numerous duty stations throughout the U.S. and overseas, to include two tours in Vietnam. Among the awards he received from the Army were the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, and Air Medal. For many years he also provided religious support to the Jewish military community as a lay leader.

Throughout his life he supported his family, his faith in Judaism and his Country unconditionally. He lived by the words "Duty, Honor, Country". He always found time to support others through kindness, generosity and his

willingness to participate. His loss is mourned by his family, his friends and classmates.

In lieu of flowers and gifts, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Assoc, alz.org

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

1 Memorial Drive
Arlington, VA 22211

Tribute Wall



“ *Maxim Icaak Kovel*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *My late husband Jim Woolnough spoke fondly of Max and appreciated all that he did for his D1 family of guys. I'm sure they are all reminising up in heaven.
My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Janice Woolnough*

Janice Woolnough - January 02, 2020 at 09:38 AM



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Rachel Kovel - December 29, 2019 at 01:45 PM

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“ I ONLY ACTUALLY MET MAX ONCE, AND THAT WAS AT THEIR 45TH REUNION. WE WERE ON A LITTLE DINNER CRUISE DOWN THE HUDSON AND AS THE STATUE OF LIBERTY CAME INTO VIEW, MAX TIED HIS HANDKERCHIEF ON HIS HEAD AND GAVE US HIS RENDITION OF ONE ARRIVING INTO THE U.S.A. FOR THE FIRST AND MOST EXCITING TIME. HE WAS VERY ENTERTAINING AND A FUN GUY. MY HUSBAND, JIM SIEGEL, THOUGHT HIGHLY OF MAX AND ALWAYS ADMIRERD AND APPRECIATED THE AMOUNT OF TIME MAX TOOK FROM HIS PERSONAL LIFE TO CONTRIBUTE TO KEEPING '57 INFORMED AND " THE LONG GRAY LINE" UNBROKEN. MY SINCERE SYMPATHY TO ALL OF MAX'S FAMILY. GINGER SIEGEL.

GINGER SIEGEL - December 29, 2019 at 12:36 AM