



## Miriam K. Freedman

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Miriam Freedman passed away on April 16th after a long illness. Born in Muskogee, Oklahoma to Roberta Landwirth Klar and Solomon B. Klar, she met and married Raymond Freedman in Muskogee during World War II. She is survived by her children Sally, Steve (Karen) and Robert (Charlotte) Freedman, many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Raymond Freedman.

After the end of World War II, the couple settled in Dallas, Texas, joining Temple Emanuel and forming lifelong friendships. Miriam volunteered for many years for a program helping troubled adolescents. She participated in the League of Women Voters in Dallas (becoming a vice president), the Women's Division of the Jewish Welfare Federation, and the North Dallas Democratic Women. While in Dallas, Mrs. Freedman received a Bachelor of Science degree in social work from TCU and a Master's Degree in art history from SMU.

Following the death of her stepfather, E. Phil Kirschner, Miriam and Ray moved to Muskogee. With Ray's help, Miriam managed five charitable trusts founded by E.P. and Roberta Kirschner, benefiting Honor Heights Park, scholarships for returning and traditional students, support for single women

returning to the workforce, aid to children with disabilities, and training for Jewish students to become spiritual leaders. Since her retirement, the management of the charities has been administered by the Oklahoma City Community Foundation.

Miriam participated in many programs benefiting the city of Muskogee: the Great Expectations Foundation, partial teacher scholarships to the Oklahoma Arts Institute, Habitat for Humanity, Hospice, and the Muskogee Youth Volunteer Group. She also helped found three new social services programs for Center Point Inc. in Tulsa and Oklahoma City, inviting friends to participate in approval and support for the programs.

The burial will be private; in lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to two of Miriam's favorite non-profits:

Kids Space Child Advocacy Center of Muskogee  
Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art, Tulsa

# Tribute Wall



“ *Miriam K. Freedman*

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“ *Miriam was a driving force in the Muskogee community. She loved our town and gave so much of her time to make it a great place to live. Through the Kirschner Foundation, she enabled many organizations to implement programs that were of benefit to so many. Her smile and bubbly personality gave joy to those of us who had the pleasure to be around her. I miss her.*

*Ann Matthews*

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