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A RECORD *of the* PATRIOTIC  
SERVICE *of* SHEARITH ISRAEL



*Congregational Honor Roll  
and Tribute Listing*







This booklet has been prepared  
in memory of:

Cpl. Arnold C. Franco (1923-2016)



and

Lt. Commander Dennis B. Freilich (1934-2017)



זֶה שְׁמִי לְעֹלָם וְזֶה זְכוֹרִי לְדוֹר דָּר:

*This is My name for ever, and this is My memorial  
unto all generations.*

(Exodus 3:15)

חַגּוֹר חֶרֶבְךָ עַל יֵרֶךְ גִּבּוֹר הוֹדֶךָ וְהִדְרְךָ:

אֶזְכְּרֶה שְׁמֶךָ בְּכָל דּוֹר וְדוֹר עַל כֵּן עַמִּים יְהוֹדוּךָ לְעֹלָם וָעֶד:

*Gird your sword upon your thigh,*

*O hero, in your splendor and glory.*

*I commemorate your name for all generations,*

*so nations will praise you forever and ever.*

(Psalm 45: 4, 18)

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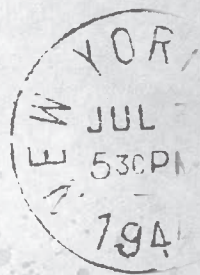
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## GREETINGS FROM RABBI MEIR SOLOVEICHIK



For Americans, Memorial Day obligates us once a year to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for their nation. For Jews, memory, bridging the gap between past and present, is a constant duty; it defines what it means to be a Jew. Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik once wrote that Jews experience what he called a “unitive time consciousness” whereby through the retelling of our story, “bygones turn into facts, pale memories into living experiences and archaeological history into a vibrant reality.”

As I wrote once in the Wall Street Journal, one of the great privileges of serving as rabbi and minister in Shearith Israel was becoming part of a “unitive time consciousness” that we share in the synagogue. We retell, we relive, and we re-experience our extraordinary stories. We see Gershom Mendes Seixas fleeing the British to join the Patriot cause- and we see him as well sneaking back into the city to perform Samuel Lazarus’ wedding. We feel that we stand next to Jonas Phillips when he makes the case for liberty- and when he advocates for religious freedom in a new nation. And as we re-experience these stories, we realize our obligation to show gratitude to all our members, throughout our history, who so selflessly served this country. This is why I myself feel overwhelmed with gratitude every spring, when, in a small cemetery in downtown Manhattan, patriotic Jews, buried for centuries, are given the chance to live again.

JERROLD NADLER  
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May 19, 2019

Congregation Shearith Israel  
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Dear Friends:

I write to offer warm greetings on the occasion of Congregation Shearith Israel's annual Chatham Square Cemetery Memorial Event, honoring its esteemed members for their service in and contributions to the United States Armed Forces.

The American Jewish community has heeded the call of patriotism since the Revolutionary War and continues to sacrifice in service to this country today. I am honored to join in paying tribute to Shearith Israel's military veterans of past and present.

As the first synagogue established in North America, Shearith Israel remains an emblem of the history and the longevity of the American Jewish experience and I am incredibly proud to have this congregation located in my congressional district.

As the *Year of Years Celebration* marking the synagogue's 365 years of service comes to a close, I would like to thank the synagogue and its members for their continued contributions to New York City and the American Jewish community.

Sincerely,

JERROLD NADLER  
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Dear Mr. Edinger:

The Jewish War Veterans (JWV) is an American Veterans organization created in 1896 by Jewish veterans of the Spanish-American and Civil Wars. It was founded to counter claims that Jews did not serve when their country needed them and to advocate for the rights of Jewish Veterans of the US Armed Forces. Today, the JWV has about 15,000 members and continues to be a strong advocate for religious freedom and other matters of interest for Jews in the military.

Among the goals of JWV is to preserve the memories and records of patriotic service performed by the men and women of our faith. Therefore, events such as the memorial service held annually by Congregation Shearith Israel at its historic Chatham Square Cemetery are of importance to us. Jews have given patriotic service in all wars of the United States from the Revolution to today. This is a fact that is well known by Shearith Israel which has a long and proud history of patriotic service. Shearith Israel's commitment to the memory of those who have served is exceptional. We commend Shearith Israel for honoring the memory of its members patriotic service.

The Department of New York JWV is proud to extend salutations and warm greetings to our friends at Shearith Israel. The updating of its Honor Roll for the first time since the end of World War II, is also important. It reminds us all that Jews are proud to serve the cause of freedom and that those who serve will continue to be remembered by future generations.

May Shearith Israel continue to take pride in its patriotic history for many years to come!

Sincerely,

Jon Zak  
Commander  
Department of New York JWV



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May 7, 2019

Zachary Edinger  
Sexton, Congregation Shearith Israel  
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Dear Mr. Edinger,

Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York and its Color Guard are honored to participate in commemorating the members of Congregation Shearith Israel who have served our country as soldiers and patriots, from the American Revolutionary War to the present day.

Sincerely,

Peter C. Hein,

President, Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York, Inc.

## INTRODUCTION

by Zachary Edinger



Shearith Israel has long taken pride in the patriotic service rendered by its congregants. Members of our community have served in the defense of our city, state, and country from the earliest history of Jewish life in North America. Already in the Dutch colony of New Amsterdam, Jews including Asser Levy and Jacob bar Simson served on the City Watch. To quote Dr. David de Sola Pool: *“The story of the participation of American Jews in defense of their country commenced with the very beginning of their settlement in the land.”*

Growing up in Shearith Israel I was proud of this history of patriotism, of our Hazan Gershom Mendes Seixas and the members of Shearith Israel who fled New York during the Revolution. Every year, our congregation observes two unique ceremonies that attest to this patriotic history. Our Thanksgiving Day service, with the recitation of part of the Psalms of *Hallel*, was a service first created in 1789 by Gershom Mendes Seixas in compliance of George Washington’s declaration of a National Day of Thanksgiving. The form of service he created then has provided the model for our Thanksgiving Day liturgy until this very day. Then, in the early 20th century, David de Sola Pool, together with H. Pereira Mendes, created a Memorial Day ceremony to be held at the Chatham Square Cemetery at which the graves of veterans and patriots of the Revolution are decorated. Among these is the grave of Gershom Mendes

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Seixas himself. This ceremony has always been special to me. As a child, seeing veterans in uniform was particularly exciting, and even today it evokes in me a strong sense of pride -- pride in our congregation's history; pride in the service rendered by members of our community; pride in our country where Freedom of Religion is a principle upon which our country was founded; and pride in the Jewish people for never taking those freedoms for granted.

The pride that we feel today has been fostered by previous generations who recognized the significance of our community's long history of patriotic service. Men like Reverend Jacques Judah Lyons, who attempted during the Civil War to record all of the members who left to serve in the Union Army. Men like Captain N. Taylor Phillips and Judge Edgar J. Nathan, Jr., among others, who made sure that new markers were placed in front of the ancient and illegible stones of veterans of the Revolution in our old cemetery in the Bowery, thus ensuring that we are still able today to locate their graves and honor their memory.

David de Sola Pool was particularly diligent in recording the patriotic service of members of our community. In his monumental work, *An Old Faith in the New World*, Dr. Pool described the efforts made by the congregation to support our country during times of war, and he listed a great number of the names of those who have served. Writing in 1955, Dr. Pool briefly mentions the Korean War and Colonel Jonathan Mendes, one of the speakers at today's ceremony, is singled out for his service as well. Dr. Pool also included in an appendix an *Honor Roll*, alphabetically listing the 79 members of Shearith Israel who served in World War One and the 167 members who served during World War Two. With such a large number of congregants having served, Dr. Pool noted that "[a]n ample volume detailing the service, quiet sacrifice, and often heroism, would be needed to pay fitting tribute to the men and women whose names figure on the honor roll." This volume still remains to be written.

Although our pride in the service of our congregants has never waned, no listing or honor roll has been published by Shearith Israel in the years since World War II. Much has changed since then. The draft ended and the US Military became an entirely volunteer army in 1973. The size of

the United States military which peaked in 1969 at just over 3.5 million active duty soldiers has declined steadily since that time to less than half that size, with about 1.3 million active duty members of the Armed Forces today. It is far less common than it once was to serve in the US military and this is true in our congregation as well.

The creation of the State of Israel in 1948, is an event of unparalleled significance in the history of the Jewish People. At 71 years old the State of Israel is still a young country, but the history, connection and indeed love of the Jewish People for the land of Israel dates back more than three millennia. Unfortunately, the survival of the Jewish State has required a strong military to defend Israel from its neighbors. Many of our members today have served in the IDF and it is important to recognize their service and sacrifice. Military or civil service is compulsory in Israel, and in preparation of this booklet I have found that many of our congregants who grew up in Israel are uncomfortable being honored or listed for their service. Therefore, the section listing our members who have or are serving in the IDF toward the end of this volume can only be called preliminary, despite my efforts (and cajoling) to assemble as many names as possible, this work is not yet complete.

A word about the sources and methodologies used in the creation of this booklet: the main source of information for the service of our congregants from the Revolutionary war through World War Two, comes from David de Sola Pool's *An Old Faith in the New World*. In addition, I have also utilized some of the works of Leon Huhner and Simon Wolf, published in the early 20th century to find additional names and information about the military service of early New York Jews. Joseph Rosenbloom's *A Biographical Dictionary of Early American Jews* has been helpful as well. In 2018, I benefited greatly from the assistance of Adrienne Usher and the Shapell Manuscript Foundation to help identify Civil War veterans buried in our cemetery (Beth Olam) in Queens. Much of that work has been incorporated into this booklet as well. I am quite sure that there are additional veterans buried in our cemetery who have yet to be identified. So there is work still to be done in researching the military service of our congregants.

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A special section has been included to honor the memory of those members of our community who have given their lives while in service. This section benefited from the invaluable assistance of Maud and Neal Kozodoy, who also helped edit other parts of this booklet as well. Despite their skillful editing and best efforts to keep me from tinkering with the text, the inevitable errors that are still manifest are entirely my own.

Information found in the newly updated Honor Roll listing came from veterans of our congregation themselves or from their family members. A conscious decision was made to be as inclusive as possible. Therefore the listings include all of the uniformed services, such as the National Health Service, in addition to the Armed Services; and also include the Reserves, National Guard or other authorized militias. Similarly, we have included both members and former members, and make no distinction whether their service was performed before, during, or after their association with our congregation.

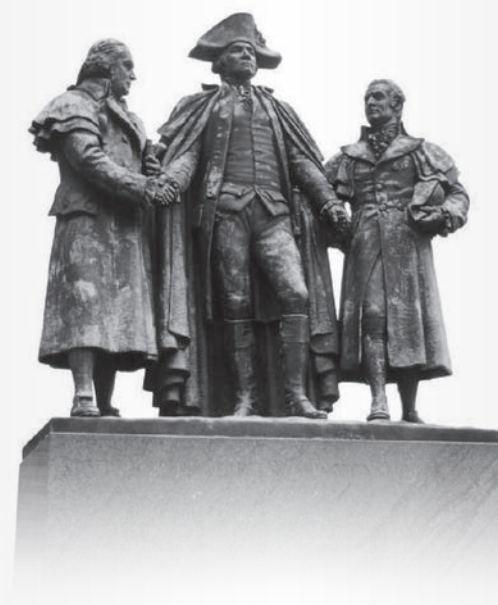
To honor the service of friends and family members who have never been members of Shearith Israel, we have also included a special tribute section. This has been done in order that our current members can take pride both in the patriotic history of our congregation together with the contributions given by their loved ones regardless of congregational affiliation.

This booklet is being distributed at our 2019 Memorial Service at the Chatham Square cemetery. This year, we are honored to have Colonel Jonathan de Sola Mendes and Lieutenant Arthur Goldberg present as guest speakers. We thank them for doing so and hope they will continue to be able to attend this ceremony in good health for many more years. We also express our thanks to the color guard and field music provided by Col. Ernest Grunebaum and Master Sergeant Stephen Hefler and the members of the *Veteran Corps of the Artillery of the State of New York*. They are joined by members of the *Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York*, and this year for the first time by members of *Oliver Tilden Camp (#26) of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*. Thank you all for adding greatly to the atmosphere of this special memorial ceremony.

Finally, we wish to recognize the presence of two organizations that perform important work in support of Jewish members in the United States Armed Forces. The JWV (Jewish War Veterans of the USA) and KosherTroops.com. The JWV was founded in 1896 and is a strong advocate for Religious Freedom and other matters of import to Jewish members of the US Military. Koshertoops.com is an organization that provides kosher food and care packages to Jewish service members throughout the globe. Please take some time to learn more about and support these extraordinary organizations.

It has been a pleasure putting this very special booklet together. The publication of this booklet is part of Shearith Israel's *Year of Years* campaign, celebrating the extraordinary diversity and history of our congregation. It is my hope that this booklet and our annual Memorial Event will continue to inspire pride in the patriotic contributions Jews have made to our country since the founding of our country through today.

Most of all this booklet has been prepared to honor the service of the veterans of our congregation, and to them we say Thank you!







## GUEST SPEAKERS

Chatham Square Cemetery Memorial Event, May 19, 2019



**LIEUTENANT ARTHUR AARON GOLDBERG:** During the Korean War, Lt. Goldberg served in the Navy as a Naval Supply Officer. He grew up on the West Side of Manhattan and is married to Carol Kaufman Goldberg. A graduate of the Wharton School of Business, and Columbia University, Mr. Goldberg was a prominent figure in the world of finance having been

a partner at E.F. Hutton and Neuberger Berman. He is a long-time member and former Trustee of Congregation Shearith Israel, and was for many years the head of its Finance Committee. After his retirement Mr. Goldberg has become a significant collector in the world of art and photography, and contributes greatly to many philanthropic causes.

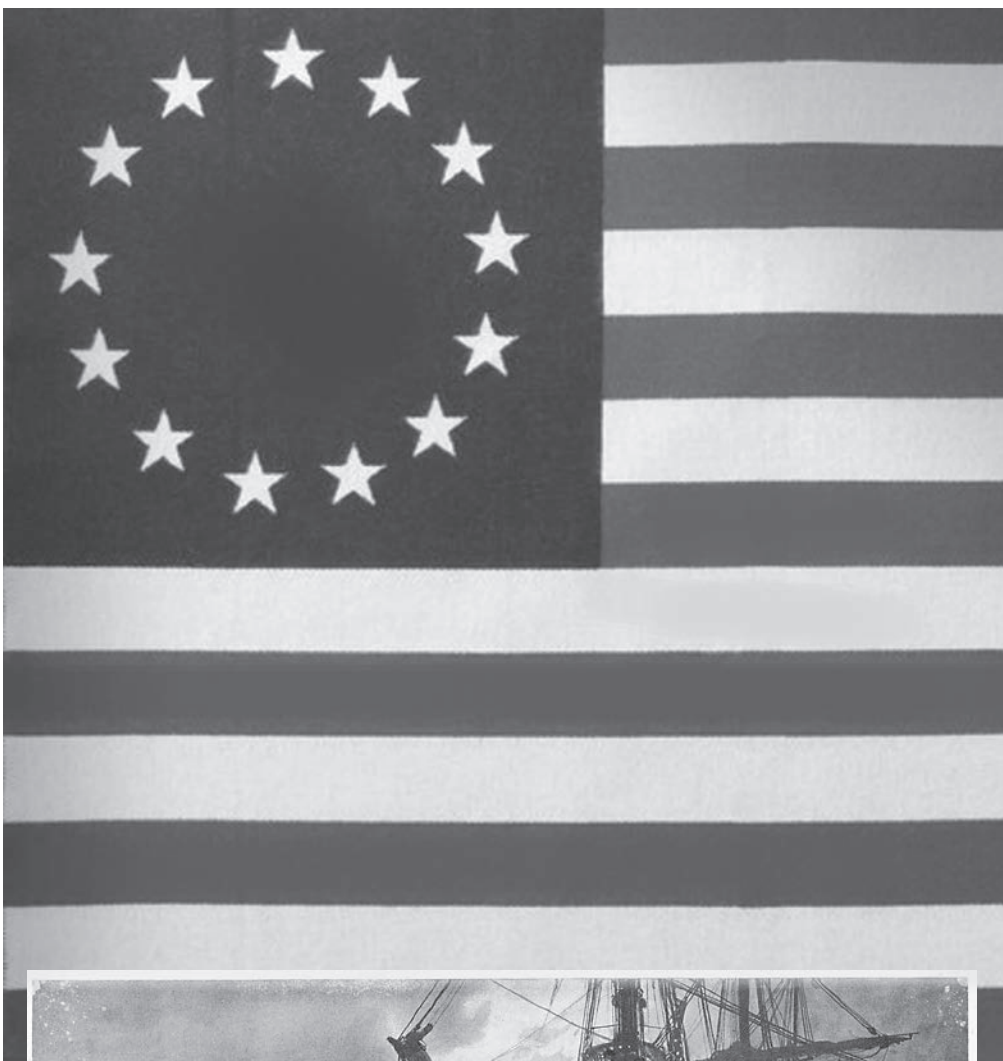


**COLONEL JONATHAN DE SOLA MENDES:** During World War II and the Korean War, Col. Mendes flew 180 missions and earned the Distinguished Flying Cross and 10 Air Medals. He taught John Glenn and Ted Williams to transition to Jet planes and flew in combat with them both. Col. Mendes is the great grandson of Rabbi Abraham Pereira Mendes (of Jamaica and

Newport.) He is a lifelong member of Shearith Israel and a former Trustee, he continues to attend almost every shabbat, and has served as a segan on the eve of Kal Nidre for many years. At age 96, he completed the New York City Marathon! Now at age 98, Col. Mendes' goal is to share with others the importance of achieving and maintaining good health and always having goals.







## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES



### *American Revolution*

DAVID NUNES CARDOZO (1753, New York–1835, Charleston): Sgt. Major in the Charleston Grenadiers. Fought valiantly in the first siege of Charleston and was wounded in the siege of Savannah. Taken prisoner at the fall of Charleston.

ISAAC NUNES CARDOZO (1737, London–1832, New York): Son of Aaron Nunes Cardozo. Private in Charleston, S.C. Militia. Fought in defense of Charleston harbor. Interred in the 21st Street Cemetery in New York City.

SOLOMON MYERS COHEN (1744–1796, New York): Merchant. President of Shearith Israel, 1793. Private in Captain Isaac Austin's 5th Battalion, Upper Delaware Ward, PA Militia; also Private in Captain Thomas Bradford's Company, 1st Battalion, Philadelphia Militia, and later in Captain Andrew Geyer's Company, in Colonel William Will's 3rd Battalion, PA Militia. Served as Parnas of Shearith Israel in 1773. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

DANIEL GOMEZ (1769–1784): Private in Captain John Corrush's Company in the 4th Battalion of the Philadelphia Militia. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery; in 1856, the grave was transferred to the 21st Street Cemetery.

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*Left: Jacob Hart*

*Right: Joshua Isaacs*

JACOB HART (1746, Germany–1822, New York): Merchant. Associator. Advanced money to General Lafayette to clothe and feed his troops; thanked by Congress, May 24, 1781. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

EPHRAIM HART (1747, Fuerth, Germany–1826, New York): Broker. Private in Pennsylvania Militia from 1781 to 1786. President of Shearith Israel in 1794. A founder of the New York stock exchange. Served as a NY State Senator in 1810. Interred in the 11th St. Cemetery.

ABRAHAM HAYS: Enlisted Westchester County Militia, 4th Regiment, he died in Long Island.

DAVID HAYS (1732–1812): Merchant. Associator. His house and store were destroyed by British forces in July 1779, while he was away in Long Island with the colonial troops. He also served in the New York Militia at Braddock's Field in the French and Indian War. Nephew of Abraham Hays (see above). Interred in the Chatham Square Cemetery.

JOSHUA ISAACS (1744–1810): Merchant. President of Shearith Israel in 1799. Private in Captain Joseph Hubley's 3rd Company, Colonel James Ross' 8th Battalion, Lancaster Co., PA Militia, and later in Captain Hubley's 1st Company of that battalion. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

MOSES ISAACKS (1737–1798): Ardent patriot. Provided financial support to the Revolution. Hosted George Washington in his home Newport in 1781.



BENJAMIN JACOBS (1737, Curaçao, West Indies–1811, New York): Merchant. Private in Captain George Brown's 1st Company, Lieutenant Colonel Will Nicholls' 1st Battalion, 5th Regiment, Philadelphia Militia, and in Captain Fred Shull's 3rd Company, 1st Battalion 5th Regiment of Philadelphia Militia. Signer of Bills of Credit for Continental Congress in 1776. He was fined by the congregation in 1809 for refusing to serve as *Hatan Torah*. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

ABRAHAM JUDAH (1714–1784, New York): Private, Dock Ward Company, Philadelphia Militia, in 1776. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery; his grave was transferred in 1856 to the 21st Street Cemetery.

MOSES JUDAH (1735–1822): Merchant. *Hatan Bereshit* of Shearith Israel in 1763 and Hatan Torah in 1767. Private in Captain Thomas Bradford's Company, 1st Battalion of the Philadelphia Militia. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

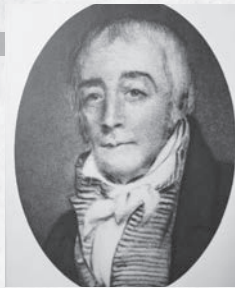
SAMUEL JUDAH (1725–1789): Took the *Oath of Allegiance* in Philadelphia, August 31, 1778. Private, 6th Company under Captain Thomas Bradford, First Battalion, Philadelphia Militia.

ELEAZAR LEVY (d. 1811, New York): Son of Hayman Levy (see below). Wealthy merchant in Quebec; supplied the British during the French and Indian War. Joined the American cause during the Revolution and moved to Philadelphia where he served as a private in Captain Samuel McLean's Company, 1st Battalion PA Militia. Presented a claim against the Continental Army to Congress in 1789 for seizing land at West Point on which he owned a mortgage; he was never compensated. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

HAYMAN LEVY (1721, Hanover, Germany–1789, New York): Merchant. Private in Captain Adam Foulk's Company, 4th Battalion, PA Militia. Signer of *Non-Importation Resolutions of 1770*. Parnas of Shearith Israel. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

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*Left: Isaac Moses*

*Right: Simon Nathan*

BENJAMIN LEVY (1726–1802): Prominent merchant of Philadelphia and Baltimore. Signer of the *Non-Importation Agreement of 1765*, aimed at the repeal of the British Stamp Act. Friend of Robert Morris. Important financier and signer of bills of credit during the American Revolutionary War.

JACOB LEVY: Private, 2nd NY Regiment; Vanderburgh's Regiment, NY Militia.

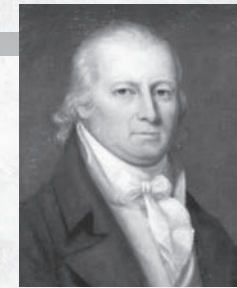
MICHAEL LEVY: (1755–1812): Philip Schuyler's Regiment, Militia. Father of Uriah P. Levy (see Civil War).

JOSEPH MARQUES: Served in the South Carolina 6th Regiment from 1779 to 1780.

ISAAC MOSES (1742, Germany–1818, New York). Merchant and ship-owner. Private in Captain Andrew Burkhard's company in Colonel William Will's 3rd Battalion, Philadelphia Militia. Signer of bills of credit for the Continental Congress. A prominent Freemason and a founder of the Bank of New York. Parnas of Shearith Israel. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

MOSES MYERS (1752, New York–1835): Major, Virginia Militia. Fought at Yorktown. Lived most of his life as a prominent citizen of Norfolk, Virginia; his home is still standing and is a museum in Norfolk.

MYER MYERS (1723–1795): Silversmith. President of Shearith Israel in 1759 and 1770. Associator. Smelted lead for CT Militia during the Revolution while in Norwalk, CT. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.



*Left: Jonas Phillips*

*Right: Gershom  
Mendes Seixas*

SAMUEL MYERS (1755–1836): Served in the Virginia line during the revolution. Son of Myer Myers (see above).

SIMON NATHAN (1746, Frome, England–1822, New York): Merchant. Private in Captain Andrew Geyer's 3rd Company, Colonel William Will's 4th Battalion, Philadelphia Militia. Supplied large quantities of canvas and powder to the Continental Army and provided large sums of money for the Revolutionary cause. Parnas of Shearith Israel. Brother-in-law of Gershom Mendes Seixas (see below). Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

JOSEPH NATHANS (1738, Germany–1798, New York): Merchant. Private in Captain Jacob Buss's Company, in Lieutenant Colonel Christian Shouse's Battalion, Northampton Cty, PA Militia. Private in Captain Henry Alshouse's 5th Company, Colonel Roup's 2nd Battalion, Northampton Cty, PA Militia. Private in Captain Abraham Horne's Company, Easton, Northampton Cty, PA Militia. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

MANUEL NOAH (1755, Mannheim, Germany–1822, New York): Merchant. Private in Captain Thomas Willis's 7th Company, Lieutenant Colonel John Shees's 1st Battalion, Philadelphia Militia. Son-in-law of Jonas Phillips (see below). Father of Mordechai Manuel Noah. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

JONAS PHILLIPS (1730, Busick, Germany–1803, Philadelphia): Merchant. Private in Captain John Linton's Company of Colonel William Bradford's Battalion, Philadelphia Militia. Signer of the Non-Importation Resolutions of 1770. Shohet of Shearith Israel in 1765. Successfully fought against religious-test oaths for office. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

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ABRAHAM RODRIGUES RIVERA (1762, Newport, RI–1823, New York): Merchant. Private in the Newport Artillery Company, Rhode Island Militia. Prominent resident and lay/volunteer hazzan of Newport. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

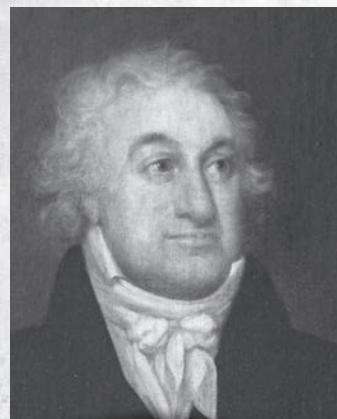
HAYM SALOMON (1740–1785): Patriot. Joined the New York branch of the Sons of Liberty. Arrested as a spy in September 1776 and pardoned after 18 months on a British prison boat. In 1778, arrested again and sentenced to death, but escaped to Philadelphia. Agent to the French consul and paymaster for the French forces in North America. In 1781, began working with Robert Morris, Superintendent for Finance for the Thirteen Colonies. One of the most important financiers of the Revolution.

BENJAMIN MENDES SEIXAS (1748–1817, New York): Merchant. Third Lieutenant in Fusiliers' Company, 1st Battalion, New York Militia. Privateer (together with Isaac Moses). Signer of the Buttonwood Agreement. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

GERSHOM MENDES SEIXAS (1745–1816, New York): Minister of Shearith Israel. Associator. Preached the American cause in the Revolution. When the British occupied New York, closed the synagogue and removed the Torah scrolls to Stratford, CT. Minister at Philadelphia during the war. One of the clergymen present at Inauguration of President Washington. Trustee of Columbia University. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

SOLOMON SIMSON (1738, New York–1801, Yonkers, NY): Merchant. Supplied cannon to the New York Militia. Contributed lead for making bullets. Member of House of Delegates of New York. One of the founders of the Democratic Society. Proposed the establishment of the United States Mint. Parnas of Shearith Israel. Interred in the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.

## War of 1812



*Bernard Hart*



*Harmon Hendricks*

BERNARD HART (1763–1855): Quartermaster in the New York State Militia in 1787 and Major during the War of 1812. Merchant. Father of Congressman Emanuel B. Hart. In 1799, briefly married to Catherine Brett (not Jewish), who bore him one son, Henry. Henry's son in turn was the literary figure Bret Harte. Married for the second time in 1806 to Rebecca Seixas, niece of hazzan Gershom Mendes Seixas. Parnas of Shearith Israel for three years. Active in the affairs of the congregation for many years, especially in the burial society. Member of the committees that established the first New York Exchange office in 1792, and the New York Stock and Exchange Board in 1817. Served as secretary of the latter from 1831 to 1853. A cousin of Ephraim Hart (see Revolutionary War).

HARMON HENDRICKS: (1771-1838) Metallurgist, businessman, and inventor who helped to transform the United States from an importer to a manufacturer of copper. In 1812, the Hendricks firm produced the copper used to sheathe three Navy vessels in New York harbor at the same time that Paul Revere, a good friend of the Hendricks family, was cladding a fourth, the *Constitution*, with copper probably supplied by Hendricks. Subscribed \$40,000 to government-issued war bonds. Parnas of Shearith Israel from 1824 to 1827.

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*Left: Naphtali H. Judah*

*Right: Uriah P. Levy*

NAPHTALI H. JUDAH (1774-1855) Private, New York Militia, (Laight's) First Regiment (Stevenson's Company). He was Parnas of Shearith Israel in 1803. Contributed to the building of the Second Mill Street Synagogue – for which a memorial prayer is recited on Shabbat HaGadol annually. He was the son of Samuel Judah (see Revolutionary War).

AARON LEVY (1771, New York–1852): U.S. Army officer and land speculator. Son of Hayman Levy (see above). Commissioned a paymaster of infantry in 1800. Served as a captain of artillery in 1812. Appointed a lieutenant colonel of artillery in 1816. Resigned from the army in 1819. Licensed as an auctioneer in 1807; went into partnership with his father-in law Isaac Moses. Active in real-estate transactions in the Lake George area of New York State. President of Shearith Israel in 1803 and 1804.

URIAH P. LEVY: (1792-1862) Commodore of the United States Navy, Investor and Philanthropist. He was instrumental in helping to end the Navy's practice of flogging, and during his long service prevailed against the antisemitism he faced frequently. At age 10, he ran away from home to serve as a cabin boy on the trading ship New Jerusalem, but returned to Philadelphia for his Bar Mitzvah. He enlisted in the Navy on October 21 1812. While fighting the British, Levy's ship was captured. He and his crew were taken captive, and sent to England's notorious Dartmoor Prison. Levy was not released until the end of the war. After his release, Levy returned to the U.S. and continued to serve in the Navy, rising to the ranks of lieutenant (1817), master commandant (1837), and captain (1844). In 1857, the Navy dismissed forty-nine officers, including Levy, Levy believing anti-semitism was behind his release fought the decision and was reinstated. After his reinstatement, he rose to command



*Mordecai Myers*

the Mediterranean fleet and received the rank of Commodore, then the highest ranking in the Navy. At the start of the Civil War, Levy offered his military services as well as his entire fortune to save the Union. Instead, Lincoln installed him on the Court-Martial Board in Washington D.C. An admirer of Thomas Jefferson, Levy purchased and began the restoration of Monticello in the 1830s; he also commissioned and donated a statue of Jefferson that is now located in the Capitol Rotunda; it is the only privately commissioned artwork in the Capitol. (He was a grandson of Jonas Phillips, see Revolutionary War).

ABRAHAM A. MASSIAS (1772–1848): Served in the NY Militia from 1802 to 1809.

MYER MOSES (d. 1833, New York): Elected to the South Carolina State legislature in 1810. A school commissioner and bank director. Captain in the First Battalion South Carolina Volunteers. Rose to the rank of major in the War of 1812. Author of two books: *Oration Delivered at Tammany Hall on the 12th May, 1831*, and *Full Annals of the Revolution in France*. Interred in the 21st Street Cemetery.

MORDECAI MYERS (1776–1871): Merchant and politician. Captain in the Third Regiment of the First Brigade Infantry in 1811. Served with the Thirteenth Infantry in the War of 1812. Wounded in the battle of Chrysler's Field. Later promoted to major. Served as Adjutant and Brigade Major of the Veteran Corps of Artillery. (Today, members of the VCA-SNY participate in our Memorial Service at the Chatham Sq. Cemetery.) Served in the NY State Legislature. Mayor of Kinderhook and Mayor of Schenectady. Member of Shearith Israel from 1792 to 1814. Trustee from 1800 to 1805. Donated a generous sum toward the construction of the Crosby Street synagogue. Buried in Schenectady, NY.

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MOSES MYERS (d. 1866): Private in Capt. David Christie's Company, NY Militia in 1814.

SAMUEL NOAH: Graduated West Point in 1807, 1st Lieutenant. Resigned his commission in 1811. Volunteered at the outbreak of war in 1812 as Private in Captain Dunning's company in defense of Brooklyn. Received numerous commendations "*His services were most zealous and untiring, his military education, practical knowledge, and quick intelligence proving powerful auxiliaries to his patriotic devotion of duty.*" Cousin of Mordecai Manuel Noah.

JOSEPH B. NONES: (1797-1887) Entered the Navy as a midshipman in 1812. He served as private secretary to Henry Clay at the negotiations of the Treaty of Ghent. He later served on the USS *Guerriere* during the second Barbary War in Algeria. He was wounded while on duty and retired in 1822. He later became a pioneer in processing concentrated foods, and in 1829 he proposed a program to combat scurvy in the Navy.

HAYM M. SALOMON: (1785-1858) Son of Haym Salomon (see Revolutionary War). Captain, 115th Regiment N.Y.S.M.

DR. MANUEL PHILLIPS: Son of Jonas Phillips (see Revolutionary War). Assistant Surgeon.

NAPHTALI PHILLIPS (1773 – 1870): Son of Jonas Phillips (see Revolutionary War). Paymaster for NY Militia. Parnas of Shearith Israel.

ABRAHAM B. SEIXAS (1786 –1834) Captain, 10th Brigade, 4th Regiment, NYS Infantry. Son of Benjamin Mendes Seixas (see Revolutionary War.)

MOSES B. SEIXAS (1780 – 1839) Capt. 5th Regiment, 1st Brigade, Steddiford's division, NYS Infantry. Son of Benjamin Mendes Seixas (see Revolutionary War.)



David Seixas

SOLOMON B. SEIXAS (1787 – 1840): Capt. 2nd NY Militia (Van Hook's). Son of Benjamin Mendes Seixas (see Revolutionary War.)

ISAAC B. SEIXAS: (1781 – 1839) Corporal in the Virginia 19 Militia Amblers. Sgt. in Corps d'Elite, Randolphs. Son of Benjamin Mendes Seixas (see Revolutionary War.)

DAVID G. SEIXAS (1788 – 1864) Served in Philadelphia during the War of 1812. Son of Rev. Gershom Mendes Seixas. He is most famous for his efforts to educate the deaf. He was the founder and headmaster of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb as well as the Philadelphia Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb.

JOSEPH SEIXAS: (1794 - ?) 1st Regiment, NY Militia (Dodge). Son of Gershom Mendes Seixas.

HAYMAN L. SEIXAS: (1792 – 1865) Pvt. 9th Artillery, NY. Son of Benjamin M. Seixas (see Revolutionary War.)

SAMPSON SIMSON: (1780 – 1857) Deputy Quartermaster of NY Militia in 1812. Graduate of Columbia University; gave address in Hebrew. Founder of Jews' Hospital, later known as Mount Sinai Hospital.



## Mexican-American War



*Jonas P. Levy*

JONAS P. LEVY: Captain USN. Commander of the USS *America*. Served at Vera Cruz. Brother of Uriah P. Levy (see Civil War).

ISRAEL MOSES: See Civil War.

ADOLPHUS SOLOMONS (1826–1910): Communal leader. At age fourteen, enlisted as a “Color Guard” with the 3rd Regiment, Washington Greys, NYS National Guard. Promoted to Sergeant in 1845. Discharged in 1847. In 1851, appointed “*Special Bearer of Despatches to Berlin*” by the Sec. of State, Daniel Webster. Helped to found Jews’ Hospital (now Mount Sinai Hospital). In 1859, established the publishing house of Philp & Solomons in Washington, DC, which held government contracts for printing. In 1871, elected member of the House of Representatives for the District of Columbia, serving as chairman of the committee on ways and means. Trustee and later president of the Jewish Theological Seminary Association. One of the founders of the American Red Cross. Influential in gaining permission for the appointment of Jewish chaplains in the US Military during the Civil War.

## Civil War



*Myer Asch*



*Joseph Blumenthal*

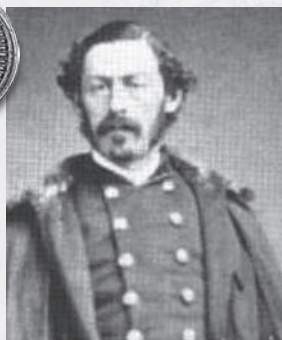
MYER ASCH (1831–1890): Second Lt., Co. H, 1st Regiment NJ Cavalry; later Captain. Adjutant to General Pope. Asst. Adjutant to General Kautz. Taken prisoner at Richmond. Brevet Major “*for gallant and meritorious services during the war.*” Brevet Colonel, U.S. Volunteers. Commander GAR, Meade Post 1.

MARK BLUMENTHAL (1831–1921): Surgeon, 3rd Cavalry (“Hussars”) NY Militia. 1st Resident and attending physician of Jews’ Hospital, New York City, later known as Mount Sinai Hospital.

JOSEPH BLUMENTHAL (1834–1901): Quartermaster, 3rd Regiment NY Cavalry, 1st Brigade, 1st Division. Member of the New York State Assembly (NYC 15th District 1873–1874, NYC 22nd District 1888–1891). President of Shearith Israel. President of the Jewish Theological Seminary Association.

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*Max Friedman*



DAVID MENDES COHEN (1826–1891): Entered the service as a 2d Lt, USMC, August 19, 1855. 1st Lt. in 1861. Captain, July 26, 1861. Major, Dec. 5, 1867. Served on the *Ariel* (captured by CSS Alabama) and the USS *Lancaster* where he foiled a Confederate plot to commandeer the Salvador.

HYMAN EMANUEL COHEN (1841–1863): Corporal, Co. H, 5th NY Infantry (National Zouaves). Wounded at Big Bethel, VA and at Gains Mill, VA. Later became Sgt.

EMANUEL DREYFOUS (1834–1902): Private, then 1st Sergeant in the 9th Regiment NYSM, 83rd NY Infantry, Co. C, from May 1861 to September 1862. Engaged in battles at Harper's Ferry, Cedar Mountain, and Thoroughfare Gap. After the war, served as Clerk, NYC Police Dept. Member of the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) and NYC Old Guard Veterans Battalion. A great-grandson of Haym Salomon (see Revolutionary War).

MAX FRIEDMAN (1826–1900): Major of a regiment in Pennsylvania Militia prior to the Civil War. Colonel of 65th Regiment (5th Pennsylvania Cavalry, the mostly Jewish regiment "Cameron's Dragoons") in 1861. Wounded at the Battle of Vienna, March 1862. Later re-commissioned to organize other Cavalry Regiments in Pennsylvania. Special Inspector of the Revenue Department from 1867 to 1868. President of the Veteran Corps of Cameron Dragoons.

DAVID D. HART (1819–1888): Commander of the NY City Light Guard, Captain, Company A of the 71st NY State Militia in 1861. Severely wounded at the first battle of Bull Run. Member of the Knickerbocker Club before the war.



DANIEL SEIXAS HART (1826–1904): Captain and Commissary of Subsistence, US Volunteers. Brevet Major for meritorious services in his department, March 13, 1865.

BENJAMIN E. HAYS (1838–1906): Private, Company H, 10th Regiment NY Infantry ("National Zouaves"). After the Civil War, became a successful physician known for treating the indigent free of charge. Freemason. Member of the GAR.

EDMUND HENDRICKS (1834–1909): Private, Company F, 7th Regiment NY Infantry ("Uniformed Battalion"). Later a member of the Lafayette Post 140 of the GAR.

HARMON W. HENDRICKS (1846–1928): Private, Company F, 7th Regiment NY Infantry ("Uniformed Battalion").

MORTIMER HENDRICKS (1837–1912): Quartermaster, 3rd NY Infantry.

PHILLIP JOACHIMSEN (1817–1890): Lt. Col. 59th NY Volunteer Infantry. Staunch abolitionist. US Attorney. Prosecuted the first capital conviction for slave trading in the US. Resigned his duties to protest the Kansas-Nebraska Act. At the outbreak of the Civil War, organized the "Union Guard" which became the 59th NY Volunteer Regiment and was appointed Colonel. The regiment was ordered to the front and stationed at Fort Monroe. Appointed United States Paymaster. Subsequently ordered to New Orleans under the command of General B. F. Butler. Honorably discharged after falling from his horse and sustaining severe injuries. New York Governor Reuben Fenton, in acknowledging his eminent services, appointed him Brevet Brigadier General. Later became a judge of the Marine Court of New York City. Prominent member of Shearith Israel, involved in many charitable organizations including the Hebrew Benevolent Society, the Home for Infirm and Indigent Hebrews (now the New Jewish Home), and the Hebrew Orphan Asylum. In 1879, founded the Hebrew Sheltering/Guardian Society for Children (now the Jewish Child Care Association).

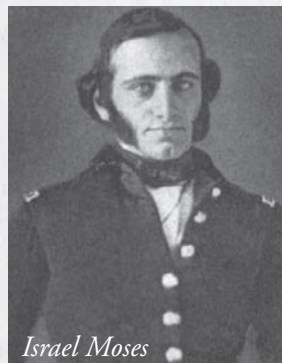
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Isaac Moses

ISAAC MOSES (1819–1889): Captain, Adjutant General of the 3rd Army Corps of the Army of the Potomac, commanded by Gen. Heintzelman. Participated in the battles of the Peninsular Campaign and at Glendale, VA. Brevet to Lt. Col for *“Gallant and Meritorious Services.”* Subsequently served with General Banks. An early proponent of military ballooning to gather intelligence on troop strength and position.



Israel Moses

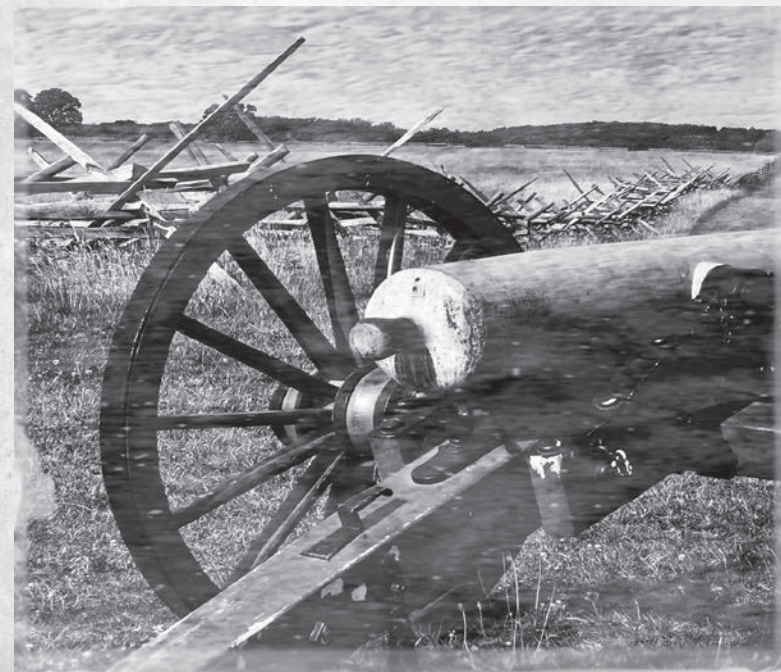
ISRAEL MOSES (1821–1870): Lt. Col., Surgeon, 72nd NY Volunteers. Enlisted in 1846 during the Mexican-American War. Appointed assistant surgeon of the U.S. Army in 1847, served with the Army of Occupation at Vera Cruz and Toluca, Mexico, and at Fort Crawford, Fort Leavenworth, in Oregon, Washington Territory and Texas until his resignation in 1855. First surgeon hired at Jews' Hospital (now Mount Sinai Hospital). Resigned

in 1861 to join the Union Army. In June 1861, appointed Lt. Col. of 72nd NY Volunteer Infantry. In October 1862, appointed Surgeon, US Volunteers Army of the Potomac. Accompanied General G. Granger to the West. Brevet to Lt. Col. of the US Volunteers in 1865 for *“faithful and meritorious services during the war.”*

FREDERICK NATHAN (1844–1918): Enlisted February 19, 1862, Company F, 7th Regiment, NY Infantry. Served during the New York City Draft Riots in 1863 and in Maryland. After the war, a member of Lafayette Post 140 of the GAR. Prominent member of the NY Stock Exchange and generous philanthropist. Husband of the social worker and suffragist, Maud Nathan.



Frederick Nathan



HARMON NATHAN (1843–1924): Corporal, Company F, 7th Regiment, NY Volunteer Infantry. Member of the NY Stock Exchange. Brother of Frederick Nathan (see opposite page).

DAVID HAIM NIETO (1843–1891): Enlisted as “David Smith” April 26, 1861. Private, Co. G, 10th NY Volunteer Infantry. Mustered out May 6, 1863. Reenlisted as “Daniel Sanderson,” Pvt., Co. E, 28th MA Infantry, machinist. Mustered in August 11, 1863. Wounded May 5, 1864 at Wilderness, VA. (He used an alias because he was a minor under guardianship and did not want his mother in England to know and be alarmed.) Served as Assistant Hazzan of Shearith Israel from 1878 to 1886. He was a member of GAR Post 152.

HENRY NOAH (1839–1885): 2d Lieutenant, Company E, 37th NY Infantry. On duty at the Middle Department (VIII Corps). Mustered out September 1862. Son of Mordecai Manuel Noah.

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MOSES L. M. PEIXOTTO (1830–1890): Enlisted in Company B, 7th Regiment, NY Militia Infantry as a private, April 17, 1861. Discharged June 3, 1861. Reenlisted in the 7th Regiment on May 25, 1862 and was discharged June 17, 1862 to accept a commission in the Ohio Volunteers. Commissioned as Captain of Company G, 103rd Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry on July 19, 1862. Helped recruit Company B. The 103rd left Cleveland on September 1, 1862, for Kentucky. While the regiment garrisoned in the state capital of Frankfort, Peixotto became ill and resigned his commission, December 9, 1862.

EUGENE SEIXAS (1845–1868): Private, 21st Independent Battery, Indiana Light Artillery. Died in a postwar boating accident in 1868.

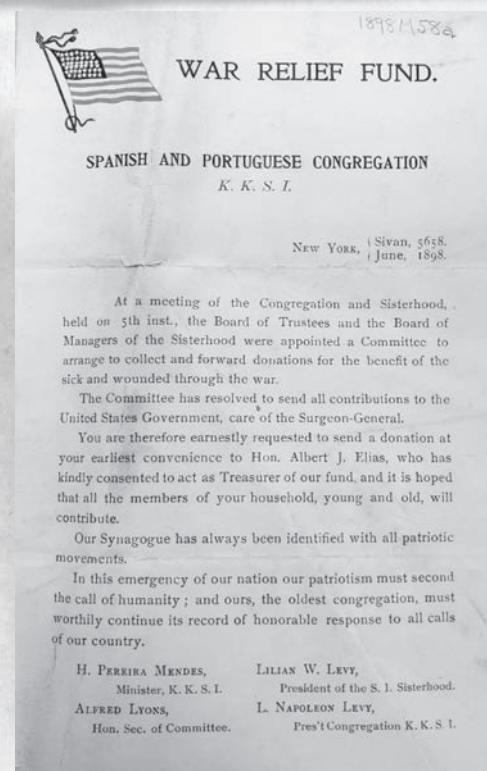
MOSES H. SEIXAS (1844–1861) See memorial on page 39.

#### Chaplains:

MICHAEL MITCHELL ALLEN (1830–1907): Chaplain for Cameron's Dragoons. Taught at the Philadelphia Hebrew Education Society. After the Civil War, served as principal of Shearith Israel's *Polonies Talmud Torah School*.

ARNOLD FISCHER (1830–1894): Lecturer of Shearith Israel from 1856 to 1861. In 1861, became chaplain of Cameron's Dragoons, replacing Michael M. Allen (see above). Advocated the recognition of Jewish chaplains in the Union Army; he met with and successfully petitioned Abraham Lincoln.

## Spanish-American War



LAFAYETTE A. GOLDSTONE: (1876-1956) Volunteered for the Naval Reserve and was assigned to the 1st Battalion of the Naval Militia of the State of New York during the Spanish American War. Later served as Chief Quartermaster of the NY Naval Reserve, 1st Battalion.

EDWIN D. GRAFF: (1868–1947) 1st Lt. 9th NY Infantry, Co. M, US Army. Descendant of Jonas Phillips (see Revolutionary War).

HORACE M. GRAFF: (1874-1949) Captain, Co. E, NY 9th Infantry. Also served as Quartermaster during World War I. Descendant of Jonas Phillips (see Revolutionary War).

DANIEL L. M. PEIXOTTO (1854–1898): See memorial on page 40.





*Edward Jonas Phillips  
Pvt, 1st Class,  
106th NY Inf., 1918-1919*

## HONOR ROLL LISTINGS

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### *First World War*

Joseph Alexander Arbib  
Reuben Arbib  
Albert Bach, Jr.  
Ely M. Behar  
Manoel F. Behar  
Harold Bernard  
Morris Besso  
Theodore G. Bloomberg  
Gerald Brandon  
Dr. Walter Brickner  
Danforth C. Cardozo  
Michael H. Cardozo, Jr.  
Sidney Cardozo  
David A. Cohen  
Edward Cooper  
William Cosel  
Jacob Delbourgo  
Ernest de Lima  
Arthur Diamond

Albert G. Dreyfous  
Howard E. Dreyfous  
\*Frank J. Felbel  
\*James Hendricks Florance  
Ferdinand J. Friedman  
Horace M. Graff  
Robert Grant  
Mortimer Harris  
Phillip Harris  
William McKinley Harris  
Arthur Hart  
Walter Hart  
Alwyn M. Hartogensis  
Arthur Hendricks  
Clifford Hendricks  
Henry S. Hendricks  
Montague N. Hendricks  
Abraham Hirsch  
Gordon B. Hirsch

*\*Indicates those who have died in service*

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Stanley J. Hirsch  
 Albert Houlon  
 Harry Hurwitz  
 Bernard Illoway  
 \*Adolph R. Jungman  
 J. B. Hubert Jungman  
 George Jacobs  
 Sidney F. Katz  
 Harold B. Kramer  
 Isidore Kross  
 Athos D. Leveridge  
 Herbert A. Levy  
 John Hezekiah Levy  
 Harold Mack  
 Harold M. Marks  
 Solomon Canter Marks  
 Monroe Mayhoff  
 Harold Davis Menken  
 Carl Morningstar  
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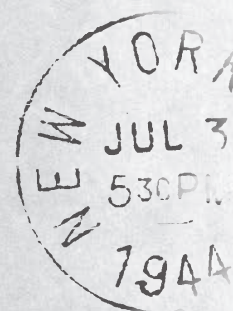
Percy Peixotto Morningstar  
 Lionel Moses, Jr.  
 Ferdinand S. Oppenheim  
 Geoffrey Phillips  
 Edward Jonas Phillips  
 Lloyd Peixotto Phillips  
 Naphtali Taylor Phillips  
 Harry V. Piperno  
 Victor Russek  
 Clarkson P. Ryttenberg  
 Abraham Lincoln Saruya  
 Floyd Silk  
 Isaac Silk  
 Louis Silk  
 \*Julian M. Strassberger  
 Arthur Hays Sulzberger  
 Frank L. Swaab  
 Jacques M. Swaab  
 David I. Unterberg  
 Leon J. Weil  
 Arthur Wolf  
 Miss Kitty Zacharie

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### *Second World War*



Monroe Adlman  
 Henry A. Alexander, Jr.  
 Jack Alson  
 M. Amateau  
 \*Edmond Joseph Arbib  
 Salvador Assael  
 Archie Azerrad  
 Max Azoulay  
 Morris Azoulay  
 Theodore Baumgold  
 Arthur Baumoechl  
 Leon Benasaraf  
 Edwin Benveniste  
 David Biberman  
 Ira Bieler  
 Marcus Bieler  
 George R. Bises  
 Joseph Black  
 Peter B. Black

David Edward Bloom  
 Seymour Bress  
 David Brodie  
 James M. Bullowa  
 Benjamin J. Bittenwieser  
 Clarence Bittenwieser  
 Enzo Calabi  
 Eugenio Calabi  
 Joseph Camhi  
 Fernand S. Canter  
 Harry Caraco  
 George H. Cardozo  
 Myron Charlap  
 David A. Cohen  
 John Cohen  
 Joseph Cohen  
 Jack Conway  
 Joseph Corcos

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Leon F. Corcos	Clement M. Hakim	Edwin A. Marton
Sidney Corcos	Herbert Jay Harris	Howard M. Marton
Joseph F. Cullman	Jerome Sylvan Harris	Alvin Piza Mendes
Lewis B. Cullman	William Kingdon Harris	Jonathan de Sola Mendes
Norman David	Maurice Hartog	Richard H. P. Mendes
Aaron Herzl de Haas	Aaron D. Hirsch	Edwin Bueno de Mesquita
Louis Julius de Winter	Abraham Hirsh	Sol Messias
Joseph W. Eaton	Wilfred C. Hulse	Jason Meth
Daniel Elyachar	Adrian Sanford Jacoby	Gert Meyer
Jehiel R. Elyachar	Wesley James	Ernest Arthur Michael
Ralph H. Elyachar	Charles Jaslow	Maurice Molho
Benjamin Delvalle Fidanque	Morton Jolles	Erwin Muscat
Raymond Fisch	Edward Paul Kendall	Edgar J. Nathan, III
Abel Fischer	Milton M. Kendall	Frederic da Silva Solis Nathan
Daniel Fondiller	Thomas S. Langner	Joseph M. Notrica
Harry David Fornari	Howard I. Laniado	Howard S. Oberleder
Richard D. Forti	Adrian Z. Leon	Leslie P. Oberleder
Felix Freudmann	Henry Z. Leon	Justin Sable Oppenheim
David Belais Friedman	Sidney Z. Leshin	Saul Ostrow
Milton Gabel	Mario Levi	Edmund Perez
Edwin Geisenheimer	Herbert L. Levine	Herman Podgurski
Shalom Michael Gelber	Arthur I. Levy.	David A. Prager
Harmon H. Goldstone	A. Milton Lewin	Paul Pressel
Elliot Goldwag	Martin Lewin	Raymond Pressel
Alfred Goodman	Walter E. Lewin	*Israel Rand
Joseph Graham	Lewis Philip Lewis	Herman H. Rapaport
Walton Graham	Bendix Lowenthal	Justin Rindsberg
Stuart Green	Alan David Lubell	Hector Joseph Ritey
Wallace Green	Harold Lusskin	Manuel Rodstein
Murray I. Gurfein	Sylvan M. Marshall	



Jonathan Judah Rosenblatt	Richard W. Siegel
William Rosenblum	George Simon
Henry L. Rosenfeld	Freerk Simons
Leonard Rosenfeld	Ralph Sitt
Harvey N. Rubin	Philip Slaner
Robert Salomon	Julian Lawrence Stamm
Theodore Edward Salomon	Bertrand Marcel Strauss
Grace Saporta	Mayer M. Swaab
Berthold I. Saruya	Edward Toledano
Jules M. Sax	Ralph Toledano
Edward B. Schiffreen	Yedid Touriel
Alvin Harold Schleifer	Bernard F. Vieyra
Julian W. Schmer	Arthur B. Wahnnon
S. Stanley Schneierson	Martha Wahnish
Willy Schulz	Adolphe J. Warner
Julian Schwartz	Richard J. Weil
Henry Sciaky	Robert L. Weil
Howard Shama	Guy A. Weill
Ben Zion Shreiber	Marvin Wellins
Daniel Siegel	Arthur M. Wolf
	John Benjamin Wolf





*For God and Country*



**MEMORIALIZING  
SHEARITH ISRAEL MEMBERS  
WHO DIED WHILE IN SERVICE**



*Camp Cameron*

*Civil War*

**MOSES H. SEIXAS (1841–1861)**

Enlisted May 6, 1861, Private Company H 62nd NY Infantry ("Anderson's Zouaves"). Died of dysentery at Camp Cameron, Georgetown, Washington, DC August 30, 1861. Buried on the second day of *Hol haMoed* Sukkot, 1861. Son of Hayman Seixas (see War of 1812) and grandson of Benjamin Mendes Seixas (see Revolutionary War).

*(Sources: Report of the Adjutant General: 62nd Infantry Civil War Roster; Shearith Israel Burial Register)*

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## Spanish-American War

### DANIEL LEVY MADURO PEIXOTTO (1854–1898)

Daniel L. M. Peixotto was born in New York. At the age of twenty-six, he married Ida Solomons, daughter of Adolphus S. Solomons (see above, Civil War); their daughter, Irma, was born the following year, in 1881. Daniel's father Moses had served in the Civil War (see above) as a member of the 7th Regiment of the State of New York. Daniel served in the same regiment as corporal and received a service medal. In 1886, he moved to Washington DC, becoming a Captain in the 1st DC Regiment. When the Spanish-American War broke out, he volunteered with the Third United States Volunteer Infantry, serving as first lieutenant and later as captain of Company D. He became military governor and provost marshal of Guantanamo, Cuba, where he died of yellow fever at the age of forty-four. (*Jewish Encyclopedia*)

## First World War

### ADOLPH R. JUNGMAN (d. 1918)

Adolph R. Jungman was the son of Charles and Natalie (Talie) Jungman and lived at 43 West 70th Street in New York. He served as a private in the 36th Service Company of the Signal Corps in the U.S. Army. He died in St. Nazaire, France at the age of 26 and was buried at in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in Fère-en-Tardenois, France.



### JAMES HENDRICKS FLORANCE (d. 1919)

A descendant of Harmon Hendricks (see above, Civil War), James Hendricks Florance was the son of Sara Hendricks and Florian Hart Florance. He served as Corporal in Company 12, 125th Transportation Corps., US Army, and died at Fontainebleau, France on March 2, 1919 at the age of 37. He is buried at in the American Cemetery in Suresnes, France.



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**JULIEN M. STRASSBURGER (1892–1918)**

*“Don’t worry about me. I am having the time of my young life. If the end has to come, wouldn’t you rather that it be for the cause I am fighting for, doing something for my country up to the last minute, than passing peacefully away in a luxurious bed under your ministering care? I would, . . . a thousand times.”*

Julien M. Strassburger was born in Alabama to Leo Strassburger, son of the former mayor of Montgomery. His mother was the daughter of Col. Max Friedman (see above, Civil War); her marriage to Leo was performed at Shearith Israel. Their son Julien graduated from the University of Alabama at the age of nineteen, and the following year received a law degree from the same university. He began practicing in Montgomery, but in 1915 joined the old 4th Regiment of Alabama and organized the Machine Gun Company, serving as a first lieutenant on the Mexican border until the declaration of war against Germany. He was made Acting Judge Advocate of the “Rainbow Division” and then Judge Advocate of the 167th Infantry and served as adjutant to General Robert A. Brown.

In a 1917 letter to his parents, he wrote the words that appear on the opposite page. At the age of twenty-five he was killed in the Battle of the Marne, dying on July 26, 1918 while attacking the German-held Croix Rouge Farm. He was buried in France, but his body was later returned to the US and interred at Oakwood Cemetery in Montgomery, Alabama.

*Sources: Walter S. Smith, “Report of Special Committee on Soldiers’ Memorial Sketches,” Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Alabama State Bar Association 44 (1921): 222-223; Nimrod T. Frazer, Send the Alabamians: World War I Fighters in the Rainbow Division (University of Alabama Press, 2014), 100, 117; Findagrave.com.*

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#### **FRANK JULIUS FELBEL (1889–1918)**

Frank Julius Felbel was born in New York to Adah (Benjamin) and Jacob Felbel. He was a great- great-grandson of Benjamin Mendes Seixas (see above, Revolutionary War). He attended Columbia College (class of 1911), where he was on the board and then editor-in-chief of the *Jester*. He graduated Columbia Law School in 1913. He was Second Lieutenant in the 28th Infantry Regiment, 1st Division, U.S. Army. As Acting Captain, he was killed in Argonne Forest at daybreak on October 4, 1918, while leading his company in an attack on the German line. He is buried in Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne, France.

*Sources: Columbia University Roll of Honor (warmemorial.columbia.edu); A History of the Class of 1911 (Columbia College, 1911); Maury Maverick Jr., A Maverick American (New York, 1937)*

## *Second World War*

#### **EDMOND J. ARBIB (1918-1945)**

Edmond J. Arbib was born in New York. His father, Rene S. Arbib, was from Cairo, Egypt; his mother, Sylvia Phillips, was a descendant of Jonas N. Phillips (see above, Revolutionary War) and of Henry Marchant, a signer of the Articles of Confederation. Edmond married Harriet Brodie. In 1941, he enlisted as a private in the Army Air Forces and in 1942 began flying as a member of the 5th Ferry Group of the Air Transport Command, serving for nine months in the China-Burma-India theater. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross with three bronze stars, the Air Medal with two oakleaf clusters, and a Presidential Wing Citation. On June 12, 1945, he was killed in a crash while flying an A-26C Invader aircraft during a demonstration training flight from Love Field in Dallas, Texas.

*Source: New York Times, July 16 & 18, 1945.*



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**ISRAEL RAND  
(d. 1944)**

Israel Rand, member of Shearith Israel, was a corporal in the US Army and died in the Bagley, Utah Train Wreck of December 31, 1944, in which 48 died and 79 were injured. Most of the casualties were servicemen.

*Source: David de Sola Pool, An Old Faith in the New World: Portrait of Shearith Israel, 1654-1954 (New York: Columbia University Press, 1955), 339. Photo from the Ogden Standard Examiner, January 1, 1945.)*



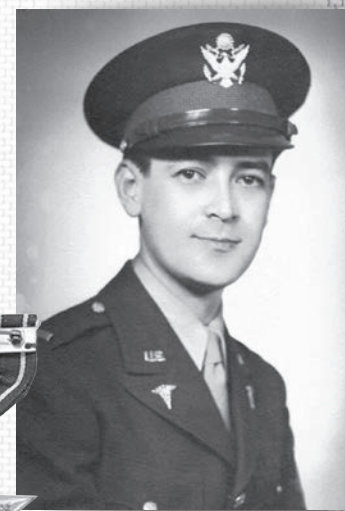
**ADRIAN Z. LEON**

Born in Ploiești, Romania, Adrian Z. Leon studied medicine in Paris, Vienna, and New York. He married Naomi de Sola Pool, daughter of Dr. David de Sola Pool, rabbi of Shearith Israel, and joined the Army Medical Corps as soon as he became an American citizen.

As a medical officer, Captain Leon was killed in action in Austria on May 3, 1945, a few days before the final surrender of the Nazis. Retreating German soldiers had mined a battlefield near the Austrian town of Zirl, and a pursuing American company had incurred injuries that he had rushed forward to treat. In a letter to Captain Leon's widow in the aftermath, a Catholic chaplain, William V. Cummings, himself badly wounded, wrote:

"Due to a lack of litters, two men had to be left in the minefield until the ambulance returned. Dr. Leon, with the zeal and devotion that was characteristic of him, went up to take care of them. . . . I went with him. Just after we lifted the [first] wounded man onto a litter, . . . [a] mine exploded. . . . Dr. Leon fell unconscious a few feet from me and one of his aides fell at his side. . . . When first aid arrived a few minutes later, Dr. Leon and his aide had breathed their last."

Captain Leon was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action.



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## Present Era

### MARK EVNIN

Born on May 10, 1981, Mark Evnin was the son of Michael and Mindy Evnin and the grandson of Fay Evnin, a longtime member of Shearith Israel. Growing up, he was close with his maternal grandfather, Rabbi Max Wall of Ohavi Zedek Synagogue in Burlington, Vermont, who would remember him as always intent on joining the military.

Indeed, Mark Evnin joined the US Marines upon graduating from high school in Burlington. He was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, Twentynine Palms, CA, and from there shipped as a Marine



Corporal via Kuwait to join the American forces in Iraq in the early months of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Serving in central Iraq as a scout and a sniper, he died on April 3, 2003, when his unit came under enemy fire near Al Kut. He was interred with full military honors at Hebrew Holy Society Cemetery in South Burlington, VT.

Mark was posthumously awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (with V for Valor), the commendation reads:

*For heroic service while serving as scout sniper, weapons company, 3d battalion, 4th marines, regimental combat team 7, 1st marine division in support of operation iraqi freedom on 3 april 2003. While engaging fedayeen forces in the city of al kut, corporal evnin noted a concealed enemy bunker. He instantly assessed the situation and began providing suppressive fires with his m203 grenade launcher. On six consecutive occasions he exposed himself to enemy fire in order to provide covering fires for his fellow marines to support their attack. Finally, at great personal risk to himself, he fearlessly moved 15 meters from the amphibious assault vehicle in order to continue his fires. On this final sortie corporal evnin was mortally wounded. However, his efforts were not in vain. As the platoon achieved its objective and cleared the remaining enemy. Corporal evnin's initiative. Perseverance. And total dedication to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were in keeping with highest traditions of the marine corps and the united states naval service.*



# UPDATED HONOR ROLL



*(Italicized names are deceased)*

## World War I

**Henry de Sola Mendes**, Army, First Lt., 1917-18, QMC,  
Camp JE Johnston, Florida

## World War II

**Samuel H. Cohen**, Army, 1945

**Donald Cooper**, Navy, 1945

**David Elias**, Army, 1943 to 45, Injured in war

**Leonard Elias**, Army, WW II

**Arnold C. Franco**, Army, Cpl., 3rd Radio Squadron; Recipient of  
American Service Medal, World War II Victory Medal, EAMS Medal,  
Good Conduct Medal

**Simon Haberman**, Army, 1944 to 45, Fort Benning; Military Intelligence  
training University of Chicago to study Japanese

**Howard Laniado**, Navy, S2c, WW II, USS Reina Mercedes

**Milton Lewin**, Army, 1943-45, 20th Armored Division

**Jonathan de Sola Mendes**, Marine Corps, USMC Reserves, Col., 1942  
to 1973, Flew 100 missions in Pacific – WW II and 70 missions in Korea;  
Recipient of Distinguished Flying Cross and 10 Air Medals; CO of Reserve jet  
fighter squadron 1956-58

**Clement Morel**, Army, WW II, Recipient of Purple Heart

**Frederic S. Nathan**, Army, 1943-45

**Edgar J. Nathan**, 3rd, Army, Capt., 1941 to 46, Signal Corp. Supply Officer  
US and Philippines

**Melvin Neumark**, Coast Guard, WW II

**Jonathan Obadia**, Army, PFC, 1943 to 45, Disabled in Ardennes and  
evacuated just days prior to the Battle of the Bulge when his platoon was  
wiped out

**Emil Pomerantz**, Army, SSgt, 1943-46, 1325th Service Command Unit

**Paul I. Pressel**, Army, 1944-1946, Electrical Engineer, Radio Propagation Unit

**Raymond Pressel**, Army, 1944-1946, M1 Marksman; Tec 5; Ski Troops  
9th Mountain Division ORD; Moved Supplies over Mountains; Briefly in  
charge of German POWs in Italy; Awarded EAMS Campaign Medal; WW2  
Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal

**Jack Rudin**, Army, 1943-45

## Korean War

**Richard D. Amelar**, Air Force, Captain (MC), 1954-1956, St. John's Pepperrell  
Air Force Base in Newfoundland, Canada. Urologist

**Gerald Bregman**, Air Force, Lt., 1955-57, Film Production – working with  
the chief of staff of the Air Force.

**Alvin Deutsch**, Army, Cpl., 1954-56, Deployed to Germany and France  
Quartermaster Corps; Supervised Sabbath Friday Night services as the  
demand required

**Arthur A. Goldberg**, Navy, Lt., 1952-55, Naval Supply Corps.

**Leonard Milberg**, Army, 1955-56, Stationed at Fort Richardson, Anchorage,  
Alaska; Quartermaster Corps

**Felix Roth**, Army, Pfc., 1951-1953

**Edward Schlesinger**, Navy, Lt., 1950-62, Supply Officer on the  
Douglas Fox (destroyer)

**Ronald Stanton**, Army, Cpl., 1950-52, Reported for Stars and Stripes  
paper Stationed in Germany

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## Post Korean War

**Martin Finkel**, Air Force, Captain, MC, 1961-1964, Lakeland Air force base, San Antonio Texas

**Dennis Freilich**, Navy and Navy Reserve, LCDR, 1959 - 61 and 1962-1971, Chief Medical Officer USS Eltinge, USS Northampton

**Lawrence Kobrin**, New York State National Guard, Army Reserve, 1956-59, 1959-62, New York State National Guard, 42nd Infantry Division

**Roy Zuckerberg**, Army Reserve

## Vietnam War Era

**Edgar Altchek**, Army Reserve, Major , 1970-1975, Medical Corps

**Roger Berg**, Air Force, Captain, 1970-72, Air Force General Counsel's Office

**Jacob Bousso**, Army, Sgt., 1968-1970, Vietnam

**Albert Braverman**, Army, Major, 1968 - 71, Walter Reed Army Medical Center

**Jack Calderon**, Army Reserve, 1961-67, Fort Drum, Fort Dix New Jersey

**Angelo G. DiGiovanni**, Air Force, Vietnam

**Sidney Gerson**, Navy and US Public Health Service, AQ3 Navy Lt. JG USPHS, 1968-72 and 1978-84, USN: Aviation Fire Control Technician responsible for maintaining F4 Phantom avionics; USPHS, Physical Therapist treating Government, Military and Merchant Seamen personnel in outpatient and inpatient settings

**Simon Gerson**, Army, SPC-5, 1967-70, Specialist 5th Class; Operations; Vietnam 1/1968-1/1969; Then Fort Hamilton, NY Induction Station; Army Commendation Medal

**Benjamin Motola**, US Army Reserve, 1969-1974, Ft. Dix

**Irwin Ostrega**, US Army Reserve, 1969-1974

**Stephen Rappaport**, Air Force, Captain, 1972-1980,

**James Rudolph**, US Army - US Army Reserve, Sgt. E-5, 1963-69, Active Duty at Ft Knox, KY 1963-64; Reserve Duty, Pennsylvania 1964-69

**Jonah Schein**, US Army Reserve, Captain, 1970-76, NY, 307th General Hospital, Psychiatrist, Medical Corps

**Morris Shamah**, US ARMY, Major, 1971-73, Medical Corps. Fort Rucker, Alabama; Head of Ophthalmology Service. Flight surgeon. Instructor in DAET (aeromedical education and training)

**Carl Singer**, Army, Col., 1970-2001, Army Chief of Staff's Office; The Secretary of the Army for Research, Development and Acquisition; Army Training and Doctrine Command; Army War College; Past National Commander of the Jewish War Veterans

**Arthur Tenenholtz**, Navy, 1971-1972, USS Amphion AR-13

## Post Vietnam, Gulf War and Present Era

**Moses Y. Bension**, Army; Army Reserve, XO/ Captain, 2012-2017; 2018 - Present, Deployed to Kuwait & Iraq; Inherent Resolve: Campaign Medal; Enduring Freedom: Army Commendation Medal; Army Achievement Medal

**Liz Hauser Eizicovics**, US Army Reserve, S-1, 2012-Present, 1174th D&D SPT BN

**Benjamin Freilich**, US NAVY, CDR, 1999-2009, MC, Flight Surgeon for VFC-12 based at Oceana Naval Air Station in Virginia Beach, VA; Flight Surgeon USS Enterprise; Flight Surgeon in support of US Space Shuttle Endeavor.

**Ernest Grunebaum**, VCASNY (9th NY Artillery), Lt. Col. - Inspector General, 1989-2012, VCASNY is a Historic Militia liable for duty in time of War; Trained at Camp Smith, and the 7th Regiment (Armory)

**Henry Lipschutz**, US Army, E-3; Private 1st class, 1985 -1987, First Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas

**Elizabeth Vieyra**, Army, JAG, 2013-2018, Served as a trial counsel, Battalion legal adviser, and legal assistance attorney while stationed in South Korea, at Fort Bragg, NC, and at Fort Knox, KY



## MEMBERS WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE ISRAEL DEFENSE FORCE OR OTHER MILITARIES

*(Italicized names are deceased)*



**Irma Robles Cardozo**, Dutch Free Force, WW II

**Yishai Chamudot**, IDF, 2016-2018, Brigade 202- Paratroopers (Tzanhanim)

**Bentsi Cohen**, IDF, 1957-1962, Captain, Paratroopers

**Julia Cohen**, IDF, 1969-1971, Homeland Security Force

**Yair Cohen**, IAF, 1966-1970

**Dan Friedman**, IDF, 1976-1987, Regular Army 1976 -1980; 35th Paratrooper division, rank 1st Lt. Reserves -Active duty 1980-1987 55th Paratrooper reserve divisionrank Captain

**Naftali Friedman**, IDF, 1982-1983, Private, Armored Corps ; Founding group of Machal Hesder.

**Doron Margolis**, IDF

**Lewis Pelais**, IDF, 1967-71, Machane Aleph; Sayeret Matkal ; Sgt.; helped Capture Old City of Jerusalem in 1967

**Martin Rodrigues Pereira**, Dutch Free Force, 1944-45, Active service in Normandy and The Netherlands.

**David Sable**, IDF, 1983/84, Combat Medic

**Avi Toledo**, IDF, 1975-1978, Artillery, Mefaked

**Moshe Toledo**, IDF

**Ruby Toledo**, IDF, 2014-2016, Infantry Medic in a base in Northern Israel.

**Scarlett Toledo**, IDF, 2011-2013, Golani Brigade, Shooting Instructor





# TRIBUTE LISTING

## HONORING THE SERVICE *of our* RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

(Italicized names are deceased)

**Edward Adler**, Army, Vietnam. **BROTHER, SUSAN NEUMARK**

**Robert Alfandary**, Army, Korean War, Corporal. Served as an assistant to General Dwight D. Eisenhower. **FATHER, FRANCINE ALFANDARY**

**Yehuda Avner**, IDF, 1946-1949; 1958-1995, Fought in Israel's War of Independence; Foreign Service and Diplomat. **FATHER, DEBBIE SABLE**

**Dr. Samuel Brookner**, Army, World War II. **GRANDFATHER, ANDREW SOLE**

**Herbert Brun**, Army Reserve, ROTC, 2 Years at Fort Monmouth; Army Corps of Engineers. **FATHER, LISA ROHDE**

**Gabriel Cainer**, British Army, World War I, Private, 38th Royal Fusiliers; Served with Allenby's Palestine Brigade. **GRANDFATHER, GABRIEL GOLDSTEIN**

**Moshe Davis**, IDF, Presently Active, חיל השריון / Armored Corps. **NEPHEW, MALKA EDINGER**

**Irving Eisenman**, Army, 1941-1943, Served in the Weather Bureau. **FATHER, ALAN EISENMAN**

**Arthur Frieber**, Navy, 1944 to 1946, USS PC-1206. **FATHER, LAURY FRIEBER**

**Carl Goldstein**, Canadian Armed Services, 1945. **FATHER, GABRIEL GOLDSTEIN**



**Samuel Kramer**, Navy, World War I. **GRANDFATHER, AVERY NEUMARK**

**Jack Menachem**, Navy. **FATHER, ARLENE MENACHEM**

**Daniel Motola**, Navy, Korean War, Served at Brooklyn Navy Yards. **FATHER, BENJAMIN MOTOLA**

**Joseph Motola**, Army Reserve, Vietnam. **BROTHER, BENJAMIN MOTOLA**

**Leon Motola**, Army Reserve, Vietnam. **BROTHER, BENJAMIN MOTOLA**

**Louis Nahon**, Army, Korean War, Germany. **FATHER, LAURENT NAHON**

**Emanuel Neustadter**, Army, 1941-1946, Captain, Military Intelligence. **FATHER, PETER NEUSTADER**

**Sanford Pearlman**, Navy, World War II, LT JG. Engineer; ran the engine room on his ship in the South Pacific. **FATHER, MELISSA PEARLMAN**

**David Price**, Army, World War II, Captain. **FATHER, DEENA ABOODI**

**Herman N. Rappaport**, Army, World War II, Served in the Pacific. **UNCLE, ARYE RUBIN**

**Jacob Rosenzweig**, Army, World War II, Deployed to Army hospital in England. **GRANDFATHER, JOSHUA SAUBERMAN**

**David Rosner**, Navy, 1942-44, Naval carpenter, war ship builder. **FATHER, IRENE DAVID**

**Jack Sable**, Air Force, 1951-1976, Colonel, Chaplain. **FATHER, DAVID SABLE**

**Louis Sable**, Army, World War I, Served in France. **GRANDFATHER, DAVID SABLE**

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**Irving Saltz**, Army, World War II, Signal Corps, Patton's Third Army.  
FATHER, **INA BEISEL**

**Matthew Sauberman**, Army, Iraqi Freedom, PV2, ARCENT 10 TC,  
OIF/OEF. BROTHER, **JOSHUA SAUBERMAN**

**George Schneider**, Army, World War II, Private, 1st Class.  
GRANDFATHER, **ARI SHERIZEN**

**Paul Sherizen**, Army, World War II, Private, 1st Class. GRANDFATHER,  
**ARI SHERIZEN**

**Jay Shoulson**, IDF, 1970. FATHER, **RIVKA SHOULSON**

**Julius Sklarsky**, Army, 1944-1946, Master Sergeant and recipient of  
Purple Heart. UNCLE, **MELISSA EPSTEIN (JACKSON)**

**Dr. Eugene Sole**, Army, World War II. GRANDFATHER, **ANDREW SOLE**

**Joseph W. Solomon**, Army. FATHER, **LOUIS SOLOMON**

**David Steinway**, Army, Gulf War, Lt. Col. (Medical Corps) 403rd  
Combat Support Hospital. FATHER, **JODIE SHERIZEN**

**Joseph A. D. Sutton**, Army, 1940-1945, Captain, Quartermaster.  
FATHER, **NAOMI NEUSTADTER**

**Solomon A. Sutton**, Navy, 1918, UNCLE, **RALPH SUTTON**

**David Tanzman**, Army, World War II, Fought in Battle of the  
Bulge; Post war served on the National Defense Mediation Board.  
GRANDFATHER, **MALKA EDINGER**

**Theodore Watkin**, Navy, World War II. FATHER, **FAITH FOGELMAN**

**Peter M. Wohl**, Army, World War II. FATHER IN LAW,  
**ARLENE MENACHEM**

**Seymour Zauberman**, Army, World War II, SSGT, 3rd Army, 87  
DIV, Battle of the Bulge and Occupied Japan. Purple Heart and  
Bronze Star Recipient. GRANDFATHER, **JOSHUA SAUBERMAN**

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