



Judith L. Silverstein

March 10, 1935 - May 19, 2026

Judith L. Silverstein, born March 10, 1935, in Brooklyn, New York, to Daniel and Blanche Klein, passed away of melanoma on May 19, 2026, surrounded by her daughter and grandchildren.

Judith was a loving and indomitable wife, mother, grandmother, business manager, writer, and world traveler. She enjoyed a fifty-seven-year marriage and love story with her husband, the late Dr. Herbert Silverstein. Theirs was a relationship of equals before its time. Judy ran Herb's optometry practice in Hudson, New York, and she advised other such practices around the country on how to do so efficiently and effectively. She was also a lifelong writer who published articles on travel, business management, and motherhood. And she occasionally served as a substitute teacher in the Hudson public schools.

She was an active leader in her local synagogue in Hudson, and she became a ubiquitous presence in social and communal life at her later residence at Cedar Crest Senior Living Community in Pompton Plains, New Jersey.

Following her beloved husband's death, Judy enjoyed the companionship of two subsequent partners, the late Hal Wehner, and Martin Jassie.

Judy was predeceased by her son, Dr. Jeffrey Silverstein, who passed away in 2015. She is survived by her daughter, Suzanne Silverstein, and grandchildren, Erin Santana, Chirona Silverstein, and Manny Silverstein.

She will be deeply missed by her family, friends, and all whose lives she touched. She leaves behind a larger-than-life legacy of fierce womanhood, partnership, caregiving, service, and achievement.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation, Conquer Cancer, and the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

A graveside funeral will be held on Sunday, May 24, 2026, at 11am at Cedar Park Cemetery, 20 Columbia Turnpike, Hudson, NY, followed by a luncheon and celebration of life at 12:30pm at Savona's Trattoria & Bar, 136 Warren St, Hudson, NY.

Shiva will be held at the home of Suzanne Silverstein at 284 Hampshire Ridge, Park Ridge, NJ 07656, Monday May 25, 3-8pm, and Tuesday May 26, 6-9pm.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Park

Hudson, NY

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 24. 11:00 AM (ET)

Cedar Park
Hudson, NY