

Also, Toby sent a few words.

There's a line that comes from the Doctor Seuss book "Oh the Places You'll Go!" which reads, "**Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened**" In other words, be grateful for life. Cherish it. Celebrate it.

I don't know how anyone could possibly think of my Savta and not be reminded of her sense of humor. She was a constant entertainer. There was always a joke to be had. There was always something to laugh about. I think humor will get you through the worst and best of life. Through war, through sickness, through happiness, and success. I think Shosh used her sense of humor to get through a lot of things. I'm grateful for the time that was given to me, to know and love my Savta. She was an amazing woman, who lived a pioneer life. I'm grateful to have been touched by her dashing self-deprecating humor, her hammer wit, her kindness and her love of family.

Laughter is SO important, and Shosh inherently knew that. I think she would have expected all of us to cry today, and together to share in our sadness and sense of loss. But I think she would want us to have a good laugh today as well. I wish I had a joke to offer that would break everybody up and make her proud. But getting you to laugh was her job.

Like all of you, I will miss her terribly, but will remember the sound of her voice in my head forever. I'm grateful that Shosh happened. Don't cry because she is gone, smile because you got to know her.