

NVHC Juneteenth Memorial Service

Psalm 23

מִזְמוֹר לְדָוִד יְיָ רֹעִי לֹא אֶחְסָר: בְּנֵאֻת דָּשָׂא יְרֵבִיצַנִי עַל־מֵי מְנַחֹת
יְנַהֲלֵנִי: נַפְשִׁי יִשׁוּבֵב יִנְחֵנִי בְּמַעְגְּלֵי־צֶדֶק לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ: גַּם כִּי־אֵלֶךְ בְּגִיא
צַלְמוֹת לֹא־אִירָא רָע כִּי־אֲתָה עִמָּדִי שִׁבְטְךָ וּמִשְׁעֲנֶתְךָ הִמָּה יִנְחַמְנִי:
תַּעֲרֹךְ לְפָנַי | שֶׁלְחֹן נֶגְדַּד צִרְרֵי דַשְׁנֵת בְּשֶׁמֶן רֹאשִׁי כּוֹסֵי רְוִיחָה: אֵךְ טוֹב
וְחֶסֶד יִרְדְּפוּנִי כָּל־יְמֵי חַיֵּי וְשִׁבְתִּי בְּבַיִת־יְיָ לְאָרְךְ יָמִים:

A psalm of David. The Eternal One is my shepherd; I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me to water in places of repose; He renews my life; He guides me in right paths as befits His name. Though I walk through a valley of deepest darkness, I fear no harm, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff—they comfort me. You spread a table for me in full view of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my drink is abundant. Only goodness and steadfast love shall pursue me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Eternal One for many long years.

Great Souls

And when great souls die,
after a period peace blooms,
slowly and always
irregularly. Spaces fill
with a kind of
soothing electric vibration.
Our senses, restored, never
to be the same, whisper to us.
They existed. They existed.
We can be. Be and be
better. For they existed.

-Maya Angelou

El Malei Rachamim--The Memorial Prayer

אֵל מְלֵא רַחֲמִים שׁוֹכֵן בְּמְרוֹמִים. הַמְצִיא מְנוּחָה נְכוֹנָה תַּחַת כַּנְּפֵי
הַשְּׂכִינָה. עִם קְדוּשִׁים וְטְהוּרִים כְּזֹהַר הַרְקִיעַ מִזְהָרִים, לְנִשְׁמַת יַקִּירֵינוּ
שֶׁהִלְכוּ לְעוֹלָמָם. בְּעַל הַרְחָמִים יִסְתִּירָם בְּסִתְרֵי כַּנְּפָיו לְעוֹלָמִים. וְיַצְרֹר
בְּצִרּוֹר הַחַיִּים אֶת נִשְׁמָתָם. יְיָ הוּא נֹחַלָתָם: וְיַנּוּחוּ בְּשָׁלוֹם עַל מִשְׁכָּבָם.
וְנֹאמַר אָמֵן:

*Eil malei rachamim, shochein bam'romim. Ham'tzei m'nuchah n'chonah tachat kan'fei
hash'chinah. Im k'doshim u't'horim k'zohar harakia maz'hirim, l'nishmat yakireinu
shehal'chu l'olamam. Ba'al harachamim yastireim b'seiter k'nafav l'olamim. V'yitzror
bitzror hachayim et nishmatam. Adonai hu nachalatam; v'yanuchi b'shalom al
mishkavam. V'nomar: Amen.*

Compassionate God on high:

Grant clear and certain rest with You to our loved ones who have entered
eternity, In the lofty heights of the sacred and pure,
Whose brightness shines like the very glow of heaven.
Source of Mercy: forever enfold them in the embrace of Your wings,
Secure their souls in eternity.
Adonai, they are Yours.
Let them rest in peace; and together we say: Amen.

Mourners' Kaddish

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעֻלְמָא דִּי בְּרָא כְרְעוּתָהּ, וְיִמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתָהּ
בְּחַיֵּינוּ וּבְיוֹמֵינוּ וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בְּעֻלְמָא וּבְזַמַּן קָרִיב וְאָמְרוּ
אָמֵן:

יְהִי שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ לְעַלְמֵי עֻלְמָיָא:
יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח, וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל
שְׁמֵהּ דְּקַדְשָׁא בְּרִיךְ הוּא לְעַלְמָא מִן כָּל בְּרַכְתָּא וְשִׁירְתָּא, תְּשַׁבְּחָתָא
וְנַחֲמָתָא, דְּאָמְרוּ בְּעֻלְמָא, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:
יְהִי שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ
אָמֵן:

עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרוֹמָיו הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְעַל כָּל
יוֹשְׁבֵי תֵבֶל, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:

*Yit-ga-dal v'yit-ka'dash sh'meh ra-bah. B'-al-ma dee-v'-rah chi-ru-tay, v'-yam-leech
mal-chu-teh, b'-cha-yei-chon, uv'-yo-mei-chon uv'-cha-yei d'-chol beit Yis-ra-el,
ba-a-ga-lah u-viz-man ka-reev. V'-im-ru: a-men.*

Y'-hei sh'-mei ra-bah m'-va-rach l'-al-mei al-ma-ya.

*Yit-ba-rach v'-yish-ta-bach v'-yit-pa-ar v'-yit-ro-mam v'-yit-na-sei v'-yit-ha-dar
v'-yit-a-leh v'-yit-ha-lal sh'-mei d'-kud'-shah. B'-reech hu. L'-ei-lah min kol
bir-cha-tah v'-shi-ra-ta tush-b'-cha-ta v'-ne-che-ma-ta Da-a-mi-ran b'-l-mah.
v'-im-ru: A-men.*

Y'-hei sh'-la-ma ra-ba min sh'-ma-ya, v'-cha-yim a-lei-nu v'-al kol Yis-ra-el.

v'-im-ru: A-men.

*O-seh sha-lom bim-ro-mav hu ya-a-seh sha-lom a-lei-nu v'-al kol Yis-ra-el. v'im-ru:
A-men.*

May God' great Name be hallowed and enhanced through all creation!

May God's dominion soon be manifest in our lives - and in our lifetimes - and those of all
Israel! And we say: Amen.

May God's great Name be blessed forever - and through an infinity of worlds and eternities.

May God be blessed, praised, hallowed, worshipped, acclaimed, honored, thanked and
exalted. Blessed be the holy God! Blessed be God beyond all the words and songs and
tributes that human beings can utter. And we say, Amen.

May God provide an abundance of life and peace to us, and to all Israel. And we say: Amen.

May the One who makes peace in the heavens create peace here in our world, peace for all
Israel and all peoples. And we say: Amen.