

JOEL M. KAUFMAN

Age 75, of Swissvale, passed away on July 26, 2024. Born in Philadelphia on March 29, 1949, Joel was preceded in death by his parents, Yetta and Max Kaufman. He is survived by his brother, Gary of Elmhurst, IL, and by many friends. He received both B.A. (1970) and J.D. (1973) degrees from the University of Pennsylvania. After a clerkship with Justice Samuel Roberts of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, Joel embarked on an almost half-century career in the Allegheny County District Attorney's Office. While that was his work, his passions were helping others, lifelong learning, and being a good person. He was an Eagle Scout, Scoutmaster, and recipient of the Silver Beaver Award for Distinguished Service from the Allegheny Trails Council. He received immense satisfaction from mentoring young assistants in the DA's Office and in teaching law at the Police Academy. He was a regular at both Temple Sinai and B'nai Israel (White Oak) minyan's and he was a passionate supporter of democratic and Democratic causes. Graveside Service and Interment will be held on Monday, July 29, 2024 at 11 AM at Temple B'nai Israel Cemetery. Contributions may be made in Joel's memory to Temple B'nai Israel Cemetery Fund, 2025 Cypress Drive, White Oak, PA 15131. Arrangements entrusted to **RALPH SCHUGAR CHAPEL, INC.**

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