

REISEL-KELLEN

Regina (Genia) Reisel-Kellen passed away at noon on September 18, 2008.



She was born in Tysimienica, Poland, and grew up in Stanieslavow. Fleeing the Holocaust, she and her husband, Emil Reisel, immigrated first to Nicaragua, where their first daughter Mimi was born. Later, they joined her family, the Rosen brothers, who were settled in El Paso. A second daughter, Holli, was born in El Paso. Regina was active as a volunteer for many organizations. She was a pioneer in the establishment of Drive-a-Meal and also transported students for the School for the Mentally Challenged. Other organizations to which she contributed were: Hadassah, where she served as President; National Council of Jewish Women; and B'nai Zion Sisterhood, where she was instrumental in founding the catering service for special events and Sabbath services. Her first husband, Emil Reisel, precedes her in death. Regina is survived by her loving husband of twenty-four years, Henry Kellen, her two daughters, her sons-in-law, Jay Gladstein and William Berry; her grandchildren, Cliff Gladstein,

Denise Halikman, Alfred Gladstein, Karen Powell, Davette Berry, and Tobi Holloway and nine great-grandchildren. Graveside Service will be held on Sunday, September 21, 2008 at 10:30 AM at B'nai Zion Cemetery with Rabbi Stephen Leon officiating. Active Pallbearers will be Jay Gladstein, William Berry, Clifford Gladstein, Richard Powell, Shaul Yannai, and Alfred Gladstein. Honorary Pallbearers will be Dr. Larry Gladstone, Victor Mireles, Leslie Novick, Tibor and Ann Schaechner, Joan Johnson, Sigurd Rosen, Lucy Garcy and Gary Weiser. The family would like to extend special thanks to Mayte Leon and Sylvia Sianez who provided extraordinary care during Regina's final months. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center, 715 N. Oregon St., El Paso, TX 79902, B'nai Zion Synagogue, 805 Cherry Hill Ln., El Paso, TX 79912 or Hadassah, C/O Marcia Schwartz, 6020 Pinehurst, El Paso, TX 79912. Services entrusted to Martin Funeral Home West, 128 N. Resler Dr., El Paso, TX 79912.