

Yizkor Booklet

As we approach the High Holidays, our thoughts turn to those who are unfortunately no longer with us. An important part of Yom Kippur is the Yizkor (Hebrew: may G-d remember) service, when we remember our departed parents and other loved ones. In the Yizkor liturgy, we say that we will give charity in memory of the departed on behalf of their souls.

The Yizkor memorial service was originally confined to Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, in order to stir the people to repentance. According to the Mahariv (Rabbi Jacob Weil), the plural form “Yom HaKippurim” may be a reference to the atonements required for both the living and dead.

Our Yizkor booklet will list the names of those we remember, and will be used during the four times of the year that Yizkor is recited: Yom Kippur, Shemini Atsereth, the last day of Pesach, and the second day of Shavuoth.

To include names in the Yizkor booklet: 1) please send the names of the persons remembered, their relation to you (e.g. mother, grandfather), and your name to George Tanner (e-mail: gtanner@iupui.edu) no later than Sunday, September 17, and 2) mail a check (\$18 for each name) to Ahavas Torah, 2935 Onyx Street, Eugene, OR 97403. Thank you.