

ROBERT “BOB” YELLIN’S YAHRZEIT CALENDAR

Date of passing: Monday, October 19, 2020 - Cheshvan 1, 5781

WHAT IS THE YAHRZEIT? “The word ‘Yahrzeit’ is Yiddish and is translated to mean “time of year.” In Judaism, there is a focus on carrying on the memory of loved ones from generation to generation. Based on Jewish law, the Yahrzeit is the day one year following the death of a loved one as calculated in accordance with the Hebrew calendar. This remembrance is performed annually by burning a Yahrzeit candle for 24 hours.” *

Light the candle, at sunset, the evening before:

Thursday, October 7, 2021 (1 Cheshvan, 5782)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Wednesday evening

Wednesday, October 26, 2022 (1 Cheshvan, 5783)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Tuesday evening

Monday, October 16, 2023 (1 Cheshvan, 5784)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Sunday evening

Saturday, November 2, 2024 (1 Cheshvan, 5785)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Friday evening

Thursday, October 23, 2025 (1 Cheshvan, 5786)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Wednesday evening

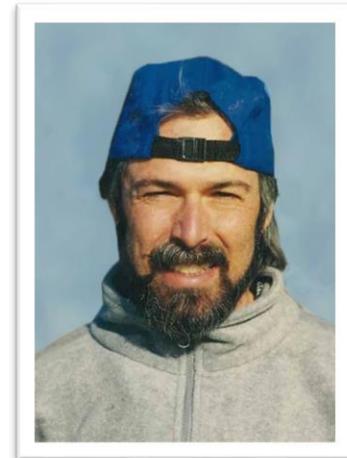
Monday, October 12, 2026 (1 Cheshvan, 5787)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Sunday evening.

Monday, November 1, 2027 (1 Cheshvan, 5788)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Sunday evening.

Saturday, October 21, 2028 (1 Cheshvan, 5789)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Friday evening.

Wednesday, October 10, 2029 (1 Cheshvan, 5790)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Tuesday evening.

Monday, October 28, 2030 (1 Cheshvan, 5791)
Yahrzeit observances begin on Sunday evening.



WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THE YAHRZEIT CANDLE?

"In chapter 20, verse 27 of the book of proverbs, it provides: "the soul of man is the candle of god." the yahrzeit candle reminds people of the fragility of life and encourages them to embrace their life and that of their loved ones. A candle is often believed to be a symbol of the soul." *

This remembrance is performed annually by burning a Yahrzeit candle for 24 hours, and reciting the Mourner's Kaddish, the traditional Jewish prayer (see below), or your own prayer, or a dedicated time of contemplation on our loving, generous, hilarious, brilliant, and wonderful Bob.

YAHRZEIT PRAYERS - THE TRADITIONAL MOURNER'S KADDISH OR YOUR OWN...

"For annual celebrations like Yahrzeit, the intent is to honor and remember; a constant struggle against forgetting and falling into complacency. Yahrzeit is our annual reminder to remember, honor and celebrate the life of our loved one. It is customary and suggested that family and friends use this time to share stories and reflect upon the person who has passed and the legacy they left behind." *

*Source: <https://www.shiva.com/learning-center/commemorate/yahrzeit/>

Kaddish is also recited daily by close family members for eleven months from the date of passing. Bob said Kaddish daily for 11 months after his Father's passing, we did the same for our Sweet Bob; most of our family members recited the traditional Kaddish prayer daily until the end of the customary 11 months on the Jewish Calendar, ending on Monday, September 6, 2021 - Elul 29, 5781.

It is important to do a practice that feels right for you. If you are not Jewish, here are a few suggestions:

1. Recitation of a prayer from your own spiritual tradition will be a beautiful way to honor Bob, as it comes from your heart.
2. You may want to read Maya Angelou's *"When Great Trees Fall,"* one of our family favorites (dear friend, Curt Moore reads this poem on Bob's tribute page).
3. A deeply meaningful expression may simply be to say a few words that come to mind as you contemplate all that Bob meant to you.

We have heard from so many the impact that Bob had on family, friends, and colleagues alike; Bob touched the lives of many, and made this world a brighter, funnier, smarter place to be. There will never be another like him, THANK YOU for helping us keep his memory alive.

