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In memoriam: Dr. Saul Grossmann

Dr. Grossmann devoted his life to education through his long career in the Philadelphia School District as a teacher, principal and regional superintendent. As an associate professor of education at Temple University, he also shared his knowledge and experience with future educators.

In addition to his passion for education, Dr. Grossmann was devoted to Judaism. Involved in his synagogue, Temple Beth Sholom in Cherry Hill, he taught there, was a member of the board of directors and served as synagogue president.

Given his commitment to education and his devotion to Judaism, it is unsurprising that Dr. Grossmann was also a loyal supporter of Gratz College. In fact, as stated in the Board of Governors' resolution, his "commitment to Gratz College spanned six decades." He graduated from Gratz in 1951, and over the years was an active alumnus. He served on the Gratz Academic Advisory Council and, most recently, worked as an instructor and Capstone Research Project advisor for graduate students in Jewish education.

But there was also a very personal side to Dr. Grossmann's 60-plus-year affiliation with Gratz. It was here that he met his wife, Miriam, a fellow student in his graduating Class of 1951. The Grossmann Family grew to include two daughters, Deena and Eve. Deena eventually became the first student to receive a Master of Arts in Jewish Education from Gratz, and upon her untimely death, her parents created the Deena Grossmann Memorial Fund at Gratz College.

Given Dr. Grossmann's lifetime of dedication and his longtime connection to the College, the Board of Governors aptly resolved to honor him "for his commitment to education, leadership in the Jewish community and devotion to Gratz College." *Yehi zikhro barukh.*