



## Joseph Chasin

January 7, 1942 - March 18, 2026

Joe Chasin, 84, of Weaverville, NC died suddenly on March 18, 2026. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, the son of the late Arthur and Florence (Rabinovitch) Chasin. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Cheryl (Garland) Chasin; his daughter, Rachel Chasin; his brother, Elliott Chasin; his uncle, Lionel Rabinovitch; his aunt, Tsyvia Steinberg; and many beloved cousins in the United States, Canada, and Israel.

Growing up in New York, Joe became a devotee of Broadway, a passion that he retained throughout his life. He saw all of the greats in their prime: Julie Andrews in *My Fair Lady*, Ethel Merman in *Gypsy*, Judy Garland in concert, and his all time favorite, Barbra Streisand in *Funny Girl*. He passed this love of Broadway on to his daughter.

Joe had a distinguished career as an attorney with the Exempt Organizations Division of the Internal Revenue Service in Washington, DC, where he worked for 42 years and where he met his wife, Cheryl. After retirement, Joe and Cheryl moved to Weaverville in 2012. Joe loved the warm and welcoming community he found at Congregation Beth HaTephila and was active in the Brotherhood there.

Funeral services will be held at 3:00 PM at Congregation Beth HaTephila on Sunday, March 22, 2026, followed by burial at Riverside Cemetery. The family

will be sitting shiva at their home Tuesday evening, March 24, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM with minyan services at 5:30 PM.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Joe's memory to Brother Wolf Animal Rescue or Manna FoodBank.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAR 22. 3:00 PM (ET)

Congregation Beth HaTePhila  
43 N. Liberty St.  
Asheville, NC 28801

## Interment

MAR 22 (ET)

Riverside Cemetery  
53 Birch Street  
Asheville, NC 28801

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Cheryl and Rachel,  
I am so sorry for your loss, and that it was unexpected. To me, Joe was the epitome of an Exempt Organizations attorney. He cared about the law, was knowledgeable about the law, and exercised his knowledge with care. He was invariably kind to those he worked with, including me. He was kind to his colleagues no matter their situation. I will remember him as a man of principle, who above all, loved you two. May he rest in peace

*Jane Baniewicz*

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**Jane Baniewicz** - April 01 at 07:50 PM

CF

“ Joe was a long-time member of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UNC Asheville. He took an amazing range of classes and was always a thoughtful participant. Cheryl, I am so sorry to hear of Joe's sudden passing and am glad to have known him.  
Sincerely, Catherine Frank

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**Catherine Frank** - March 29 at 09:31 AM

WT

“ I was sorry to hear of Joe's passing. He was my main mentor at IRS as my reviewer and later, manager. He was a trusted colleague and good friend, looking out for me, including advising me to take the fed employee buyout last year. Alas, I wasn't quite ready. He may prove right!

One of my fondest memories of Joe was the fateful day of 9/11, which we shared together. Our IRS office was a block from the White House (fortunately spared that day thanks to Todd Beamer and other brave souls on Flight 93). After learning of the second plane crash at the Twin Towers and the Pentagon crash, it was time to go home. But we were concerned about a terrorist attack on the Metro (no one knew the scale of the attack), so Joe and I decided to schlep down Constitution Avenue and across the Memorial Bridge to a point in Rosslyn where my mother-in-law would pick us up, perhaps 4-5 miles all told. Joe was concerned about getting a relative home and was trying to make cell phone calls to make arrangements but the wireless phone circuits were jammed by the heavy phone traffic and he couldn't get through for quite a while. Same for the DC streets, with everyone leaving. We heard a car backfire – was it gunshots?! People ran. The weather was beautiful, high sky except for a large white cloud, which we eventually saw was smoke from the Pentagon. No air traffic except a military jet screeching around. We got across about a third of Memorial Bridge when people start running back (concern about a suspicious large package) – poor Joe, who walked with a limp, hustled back as best he could! It was a chaotic day, and I was glad to have my friend with me.

*My memories of Joe are all fond. May he rest in glorious peace.*

*Sincerely, Ward L. Thomas*

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Ward L. Thomas - March 28 at 01:25 PM

EM

“ *Emily lit a candle in memory of Joseph Chasin*



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**Emily** - March 24 at 01:47 PM

KE

“ *Kelsi lit a candle in memory of Joseph Chasin*



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**Kelsi** - March 24 at 01:40 PM

TL

“ *Cheryl and Rachel, I am sorry about Joe. I got to know Joe when I shared office space with Cheryl. Every morning Joe brought Cheryl a coffee and muffin and a debriefing on how he was able to get Rachel off to school with many details. Many of Joe's coworkers had interesting stories with him, and he lived a joyous life by touching many people at the IRS. Rest in peace.*

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**Ted Lieber** - March 23 at 09:24 PM

AS

“ *My prayers are with Cheryl and Rachel. I got to know Joe when I owned his Murphy’s littermate, Tag. Even after our boys passed away, we stayed in touch and last May, he came to the hotel in Asheville where the KCA National was being held. We spent several hours visiting while watching the show. I am so grateful to have been able to spend that time with him and it was like we were old friends who hadn’t seen each other in years.*

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**Anne Sulskis** - March 22 at 11:24 PM