



## Mrs. Sylvia Patla Straus

December 29, 2013

Sylvia Patla Straus died December 29, 2013, in Asheville, North Carolina. She was 91 years old.

Born in Charleston, SC, she was one of two daughters to Joseph A. Patla and Rose Lewis Patla. The Patla family moved to Asheville in 1924, where Sylvia went to Claxton Elementary School and Lee Edwards High School. She attended the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and later worked in Asheville and in Brevard, NC, at the Ecusta Paper Company, where she met Karl Straus, who trained her to assume his position when he was promoted.

Sylvia went to Manhattan in 1948. It was there that she reconnected with Karl, who became the love of her life. They were married in Asheville, in 1952. In 1953, Karl joined Sylvia's father, and together they formed the law firm, Patla & Straus, which became and is now known as Patla, Straus, Robinson, & Moore.

Sylvia is survived by her husband, Karl, their children, Lisa, Hank, and Joel Straus, as well as her sister, Doris Patla Cohn. Sylvia had three grandchildren, Max Mizell, Nathan Straus, and Isabel Straus, and many beloved nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be held at Congregation Beth Ha Tephila at 1:00 pm,

Thursday, January 2, 2014, followed by a graveside service at Riverside Cemetery. Rabbi Batsheva Meiri will officiate. Morris Funeral Home is handling the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Asheville CarePartners Hospice General Fund in Sylvia's memory.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverside Cemetery

53 Birch Street  
Asheville, NC 28801

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Sylvia Patla Straus*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Sylvia Patla Straus.*



January 01, 2014 at 03:57 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mrs. Sylvia Patla Straus.*



January 01, 2014 at 11:46 AM



“ *Brad and Karen Vaughn purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Mrs. Sylvia Patla Straus.*



**Brad and Karen Vaughn** - January 01, 2014 at 11:45 AM

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“ *My prayers and sympathy are extended to the family of Sylvia Straus.*

*Neil Thagard  
Neil K's Hairstyling  
Asheville NC*

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**Neil Thagard** - January 01, 2014 at 09:03 AM

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“ *I'm very sorry for your loss. I would like to share a thought that has helped me. God through the prophet Isaiah promises us "He (Jehovah God) will swallow up death forever, and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe the tears from all faces." (Isaiah 25:8,9). Jesus confirms there will be a time when death will be no more as well as promise a resurrection, " Do not be amazed at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who did good things to a resurrection of life." (John 5:28,29). What a glorious promise to look forward to, when we can see our loved ones again. Comfort can also be found at Psalms 55:22 where Jehovah God invited us to, "throw our burdens upon Jehovah." I hope you will be able to get some comfort from these scriptural thoughts as I have. And if you have any further questions please visit [www.jw.org](http://www.jw.org) for more encouraging thoughts.*

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**Trevor B.** - December 30, 2013 at 07:27 PM