

**EULOGY FOR JOE GOLDFEDER
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Joe Goldfeder was born in Eureka, Kansas in 1929. At the age of 3, his family moved to Hugo, Oklahoma, where his father ran a Dry Goods Store for many years. Joe served his country in the Korean War and upon his return to Hugo he was unsure of the direction that he wanted to take in life. His father suggested he go north to visit his sister. She was married to Sam Cohen who had one of the largest ranches south of Calgary. From the ranch, on days off, Joe ventured into Calgary to meet other young Jewish adults. Eventually traveling to Edmonton for a singles event, Joe met my mother, Eva Furman, who introduced him to her best friend Marcia Simkin.

This culminated in Marcia's marriage to Joe followed by their move back to Hugo. Joe took over the family business and together they raised their family there. In the hot summers, they would send their boys north to Edmonton where they would stay with Marcia's sister, Rose Pechet and spend time with the Marcus brothers. I also had the opportunity to travel to Hugo to hang out with the Goldfeder family. Those stories will be published in my memoirs and not until then! Joe looked after me just like I was "one of the boys"

After losing a son in '82, the family picked up and moved to Edmonton to start a new chapter in their lives. And I'll now call on Joe's good friend, John Berry to expand further.

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