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Todd Brad Mann

Our thought about people we know ~~is~~ too often lean toward the obvious
~~when we reflect on them~~

we judge people too often by the obvious. we ~~seek~~ ^{remember} the grand
gesture ^{we recall} - the personality quirks - the humor ^{anecdotes} - the dramatic

events. we don't often look behind the veneer to ~~judge~~ ^{reflect on} the ^{real} man,

we ^{concentrate on} concentrate on glama while ignoring substance. we are satisfied

with superficialities, ~~but~~ ~~the~~ ~~real~~ allowing what is truly important to
remain hidden.

Brad has a memory about Zeyda Max. during the family seder

it was always Max who would hide the Matka + who he took that job

Seriously always finding creative hiding places. I asked ^{Brad} him if he remembered

the most difficult hiding place. "I'd tell you", he answered, "only we're

still not sure where it is" - we're still searching.

On this day when we gather to share our memories + love of Max

Margolis, we search for those hidden qualities which are too often ^{often}

neglected during one's lifetime.

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Being born into a family of 7 children taught Max ~~that~~ the importance
 the ~~most important part of Max's life was his family. He was~~
 of a tightly knit family. He was a loving husband & devoted father & grandpa. His marriage to Esther
 was a case of love at first sight. He met her on Jan 6 of 1921 ~~at~~^{on}
 his arrival by train. He ~~must have met her~~ ~~day~~ He must have ~~projected~~^{projected}
 a dapper image at the time (courtesy Estle is one of 3 friends in
 the ~~the~~ whole town, but w/ Aunt Sarah always accompanying the
 young couple as chaperone, he had to work fast - they were married
 less than a year after they met.

Estle speaks of him as a quiet unassuming man who went through
 life being pleasant, a man about whom no-one had a bad word to say.
 During these past months their love for one another ~~was~~ ^{was clearly tested}
 in time of crisis. ~~During~~ ^{after} ~~when~~ ^{returning from the Hospital following his}
 heart attack Max took care of everything - from household chores
 to ferrying her around on the bus - never letting her be removed
 from his sight. & when Max was hospitalized during his recent
 illness - Estle was there every day - bringing home made goodies
 & offering encouragement & hope.

For 66 years they were together
sharply ^{their love} sharing their life - taking long walks - enjoying a quiet loving
relationship

Estle & May had ^{on whom they dated} ~~they had~~ one son, Bob & ~~later they~~ ~~son~~ of whom
& later a daughter by marriage, Terry - entered their lives
They were very proud. They encouraged ~~to~~ ^{Robert} ~~stressing~~ the importance

of education - & ~~may tried to see Bob~~ ~~man~~ had the ultimate
hope of living to see his son's success as a ^{to} husband & father

of 3 children and as a professional &

to Brad, Todd & ^{Shayne} ~~Shayne~~ Zeyda May was a devoted grand-father.

& a generous man. He was a man who was always interested in
what they were doing - who would never forget a birthday
or other milestones & was always ^{available} ~~the~~ available when needed

Brad remembers that May would always encourage him to excel,

He always told us to be good people - that goodness always
^{wins} ~~win~~ out at the end.

recently when Todd was home - he visited his grandfathers every day
~~every day~~, & Shayne remembers him as simply a nice man -
a loving grandfather

Bob
Bob remembers his dad as a very modest person

a follower, not a leader. ~~But~~

He was a man who was willing to give of himself to the community + when he lived in Lakewood he was particularly active in the Jewish community serving on the ~~137 5770~~ - the Jewish burial society, + on the board of Talmud Torah + Bnei Brith.

~~In Edm~~

He belonged to many organizations + was well liked by everyone. He was ^{unassuming} unassuming - not interested in fame or ~~3170~~ yet everyone knew Max + ~~he didn't have an enemy in the world.~~

He was everybody's friend - + he didn't have an enemy in the world.

~~it is these so called hidden traits that~~

it is these simple "hidden" qualities that Max will be remembered for - + for a man with these characteristics, we, even on the day of sadness, feel a sense of ~~the~~ satisfaction for a life well lived. He was blessed w/ a family who returned his love. He was blessed w/ a long life and which

he was able to see his grand-children grow to young adulthood
he was blessed w a son who always did him proud & he
was blessed w/ his love for Estelle.

Our faith ^{teach} ~~teach~~ in the immortality of the soul, of a life beyond
the life - a life free from pain & heartache -

But this is little consolation to us here on the ~~we~~ earth who must
go on w/o our friend w/o our grand-father ~~our father~~
our husband

~~But~~ ~~at~~ those who knew & loved him - ~~will~~ ^{will} always
carry w them the blessing of simple hidden qualities that ~~make~~ ^{are} the
very love of our humanity -

• Estelle when you walk along the river valley - know he
still walks w/ you -

may his soul be found in the fond of everlasting life

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The Torah portion we read this morning contains the following verse

הַחֲסוּתִים יְהוָה הֵן וְהַגִּידוֹת יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה

The hidden things belong to the Lord - but the open reveals things are ours + our children.

The verse is usually interpreted to ~~mean~~ ^{refer to the} that mystical rules of the universe that are beyond our ken.

But on this day I'd like to suggest perhaps another meaning - these words can be read as a condemnation of human nature - too often we see the obvious - the outer person - while it is only God who is able to see the inner soul of each human being - the hidden.

on this day, let us remember that for those simple hidden qualities that, like Brad's Matza, should be searched out + held up as an example for us all.

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+ those who know + loved Max will always carry w/
the blessing of these simple hidden qualities
that are the core of our humanity + that made
Max a true Mensch

+ Either when you take a walk along the
River Valley - know he still walks w/ you

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אנחנו הנה