



Welcome to the Bar Mitzvah of Xavier Amram Phillips

Ariah ben Galia v'Charles

June 19, 2021 ~ 9 Tamuz 5781

Service led by the Bar Mitzvah: Xavier Phillips
Rabbi Jacqueline Mates-Muchin
Cantor Fran Burgess

*"The things that matter most in our lives are not fantastic or grand.
They are moments when we touch one another."*
~ Jack Kornfield ~



Shabbat Shalom!

Today we celebrate Xavier. Since Xavier arrived in this world 13 years ago, he has challenged us, humbled us, and shown us a depth of love we never understood before. As Xavier has grown into the young man who stands before you, he has marveled us with his devotion to his family, his sly sense of humor, his determination to do the right thing, and the sheer number of hours he can spend reading.

We are thrilled to share the honor with you as Xavier is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah. We are so grateful that you can share Xavier's special day with us.

Though we may be joining from separate homes across the globe, Xavier's Bar Mitzvah unites us. We stand together to mark Xavier's transition from boyhood and welcome him as a full-fledged member of our community.

Xavier has been practicing and studying hard for this day for the past year. We are so proud of Xavier for all the hard work and dedication he has put into this day! We are so thankful for your love and support.

~ *Galia & Charles*

Participating in Today's Service

Tallit Presentation:

Parents, Galia Amram & Charles Phillips, and Melissa Catalano

Blessing:

Grandmother, Michele Benson

Open Ark:

Sisters, Artemis and Isolde Phillips

Torah Passing:

Parents, Galia Amram & Charles Phillips

Aliyot:

First: Aunt, Sarah Benson-Amram

Second: Parents, Galia Amram & Charles Phillips

Third: Bar Mitzvah, Xavier Phillips

Readings:

Sister, Isolde Phillips

Sister, Artemis Phillips

Close Ark:

Sisters, Artemis and Isolde Phillips

Motzi:

Sisters, Artemis and Isolde Phillips



Special Thanks from Xavier

Mom – Thank you for your love, kindness, and warmth. Whenever I need help, you are always there.

Dad – Thank you for your humor, love, and thoughtfulness. You are always there to lighten the mood.

Arty – Thank you for being a great sister throughout the years. You have always supported me in everything I do.

Izzy – Thank you for always being there. You have always been there to make me laugh and to help me with every problem I have.

Stepsiblings and Stepparents – You guys are amazing. Even though I am new, you guys have always treated me as part of the family, no matter what.



In Our Thoughts

On this day, we remember with love
Roger Amram, Ruth Phillips, Jak Amram,
Denise Hatem and Michael Catalano