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Sharon Fradkin¹

Steve Fradkin

After 58 years of marriage, my wife, longtime activist and DCDB member Sharon Fradkin, passed away peacefully on October 11 at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston, following complications from a chronic illness.

Sharon touched so many lives in her too-brief lifetime...

- founding a Stoughton (MA) chapter of the League of Women Voters (and her work with the Palm Beach County LWV)
- as vice president of the advertising agency she and husband, Steve, owned
- as chair of a major regional chamber of commerce
- fundraising over \$250,000 for the local library
- supporting kids' musical education via Parents of Performing Students
- establishing the town's Farmers Market
- hosting a TV cooking show
- serving with Steve as national co-chair of Jewish Marriage Encounter
- and her absolute favorite roles as wife, mom and grandma.

Congressman Bill Keating (D-MA) recalled “the indelible mark she made...she was a...vital figure in local and state political campaigns.”

Former DNC Chair and Massachusetts State Treasurer Steve Grossman called and praised Sharon's many contributions to society.

Reproductive rights activist Bill Baird wrote that “she gave new meaning to love and caring.”

And U.S. Senator Ed Markey (D-MA) cited her “lifelong dedication to making the world a better place and improving the lives around her,” and presented the family with a flag flown over the Capitol.

¹ [The Delray Democrat](#), October 2024, page 5.

She will be missed.