## IN MEMORIAM LAZAR MAX MUROV

When Lazar Max Murov died of a sudden illness on January 4, 1996, at the age of 77, our community lost an outstanding citizen. He was the beloved husband of Pauline, the devoted father of Mark and Barbara Caroline and the doting grandfather of Andrew and Adam Murov and Devon Anker. He was very close to his daughter-in-law, Rita, to his siblings, Harold, Joe and Shirley Eltis and their spouses, to his wife's sister, Ruth Nierman and her husband, Neal, and to his many nephews, nieces, cousins and countless good friends.

Lazar Max Murov was born in Shreveport on May 6, 1918, and resided here his entire life. He was a graduate of C.E. Byrd High School, LSU in Baton Rouge and LSU Law School, Class of 1940. At LSU he was a member of Zeta Beta Tau fraternity. After his admission to the Bar, he practiced law in Shreveport until he entered the U.S. Army early in 1941. He served in combat as an officer in the Infantry and participated in both the European and Caribbean theaters of operations. He received the Silver Star as the commander of a unit that captured a German held town. While in the service he also did trial work on assignment to the Judge Advocate Division. He was honorably discharged after the end of World War II, and resumed the private practice of law in Shreveport.

Shortly thereafter, Mr. Murov entered the business world, and became a co-owner of A.A. Gilbert Pipe and Supply Company, where he continued to work until his death. Through his position in that company and his participation in other partnerships, he was closely associated with the oil and gas industry in North Louisiana, South Arkansas and East Texas for over 40 years. He was a principled businessman, who succeeded honestly and fairly, and enjoyed the trust and respect of those with whom he did business.

Mr. Murov was keenly interested in the civic affairs of Shreveport. As a mason, he was a member of the Shreveport Lodge #115, F. & A.M. He was also a member of the Louisiana Bar Association. He was an active participant and a dependable leader

in the Jewish community of Shreveport, having served as President of the Shreveport Jewish Federation and as a member of the Board of Directors of B'nai Zion Congregation, where he had been a lifelong member. He and his family were generous donors, year after year, to various organizations supporting Jewish causes in the U.S. and Israel.

Although Mr. Murov had been actively engaged in the practice of law for only a short period of time as a young man, he remained deeply interested in the legal profession and was a member in good standing of the Louisiana Bar for the remainder of his life. He was proud to be a lawyer, and had great respect for how law operates to help solve problems and to give order and stability to our society. His son, Mark, followed his example and became a lawyer, and both Mark and his wife, Rita, who is also a lawyer, practice law in New Orleans, where Mark specializes in immigration law.

Lazar Max Murov was a man of the highest integrity, a truly compassionate person with a deep concern for the welfare of his fellow citizens, a faithful friend to many, and a loving husband, father and grandfather.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Shreveport Bar Association that we express our regret and sorrow in the loss of our highly esteemed and respected friend, Lazar Max Murov, and that we express to his widow and family our deepest sympathy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this memorial and resolution be filed in the archives of the First Judicial District Court and that copies thereof be sent to the members of the family of Lazar Max Murov.

Donald P. Weiss, Chairman

John B. Hussey, J1.

Memorial Committee

Jaques I. Wiener, Jr.

October 24, 1996