2000 Hall of Fame Inductee

Rabbi Myron H. Kinberg

Class of 1963 Awarded posthumously

The late Rabbi Myron Kinberg was, to the surprise of some, a former state wrestling champion during his senior year in high school. He was

quite an athlete who enjoyed playing softball and baseball. Following high school, he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wesleyan University. After receiving a rabbinic degree, he went on to lead congregations in



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Kansas, Oregon, and New York. Active in the cause of civil rights, Rabbi Kinberg always remained extremely involved in community affairs. He was a member of and was awarded honors from several organizations including the City of Eugene Human Rights Commission, the NAACP, the Interreligious Commission for Peace in the Middle East, and Peaceworks, from which he earned a lifetime achievement award.

Rabbi Kinberg also founded a halfway house designed to help ease the transition of psychiatric patients into the community. After a lifetime of fighting for human rights, Rabbi Kinberg died in 1994 at the age of 51.