

# Kinnory Dignity, Charm Extends to Grandchildren

CANTOR KINNORY  
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at the Bar Mitzvah of Lawrence Michael Randolph, Saturday, June 3, in the University Synagogue, 11060 Sunset Boulevard, Brentwood, Cal. Rabbi Dr. Essrig and Cantor Roth will be assisted in officiating by Cantor Kinnory.

Ever since this writer has been a member of Temple Beth Shalom, the Tells have known and respected Herman and Gertrude, mainly because of their constant attendance at Friday Services. But it went further than that.

The Kinnorys are epitomes of dignity. Quiet, unassuming, but overwhelming with reverence, they lend charm and grace to a conversation at an Oneg Shabbat table. With firm conviction, backed with intense knowledge and understanding of our Faith, their commentary on a Service or Sermon is always intelligent and educational, especially to this neophyte on Judaism.

Cantor Kinnory shared the pulpit from 1952 to 1959, during the formative years of our congregation in Las Vegas. Due to illness he was forced into partial retirement, but continued on as part time Hebrew School teacher until last year. Even now, he will not hesitate to fill in whenever called upon, in any capacity.

This writer is not the only one who recognized and appreciated the contributions made by Cantor Kinnory. From 1920 to 1939, he enjoyed a lifetime contract at the Zoppot Synagogue in Danzig, located in the free state corridor between Poland and Germany. Just prior to the temple being destroyed by Hitler, the Kinnorys including two sons and a daughter, escaped to England, where he assumed the position of cantor at Regent Park United Synagogue. His contract again was for lifetime.

When, in 1951, our good cantor came to California to visit his oldest son, Dr. David S. Kinnory, now professor in Research Chemistry at U.C.L.A., it was decided to settle in America. Within months Herman was



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installed as cantor at Valley Jewish Community in Los Angeles. A year later he came to Las Vegas.

The second son, Kalman, is violinist with the Israeli Symphony and professor of Music at Academy of Music, Jerusalem.

Daughter Frieda, and her husband Edward Randolph, a successful business man, are the parents of the Bar Mitzvah boy. Vicky completes the Randolph family.

Come next Saturday, Cantor Kinnory will perform the same ritual of blessing his grandson, as he did at the Bar Mitzvahs of both of his sons, many years ago in Danzig.

All the Las Vegas Jewish community joins with the Israelite in wishing every "nachas" for Gertrude and Herman on this "simcha" they deserve so much, and while we're at it, happy fountain pen to Lawrence Michael.

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