

Brandeis University
Class of 1978 30th Reunion

Name: Elise Ginsberg Kestenbaum Maiden name? Ginsberg

Mac or PC? PC LP, CD, or IPOD? IPOD

What was your major? Did you continue in that field?

Psychology. I did not continue in that field but I use it in everything I do!

Career? Do tell!

My career has evolved over the years. I practiced securities and corporate law for a while, taught undergraduate law courses, wrote a chapter in a legal treatise, got certified to teach secondary English, taught middle and high school English, and then became an advocate and education lawyer. I love what I am doing now and feel that it combines all my interests...maybe I'm finally grown up!

Favorite memory from Brandeis

There are so many...I don't even know where to start. When I brought my children to see where I went to college, I had a story for every step I took from registering freshman year at the gym to all nighters at the science library to evenings at the Stein. Can't wait to reminisce at reunion.

Favorite Brandeis professor?

Dr. Leslie Zebrowitz McArthur

What have you done since graduation that you are most proud of?

I am most proud of my three boys-they are "menshes" and I hope I had something to do with it!

Are you single or married? Tell us about your family:

I have been married to Richard for 24 years. He is a tax attorney in Great Neck and serves as a local judge in our community. We have three sons-Jonathan, 21, Scott, 19 and Matthew, 14. Jonathan is in the six year law program at Syracuse University. He is presently at Tel Aviv University for the semester and is majoring in political science and music industry. Scott is a freshman at University of Michigan. He is thinking of majoring in English and is also considering a career in law. My youngest son, Matthew is in eighth grade and presently wants to be a rock star. We also have a yellow lab named Rugby who is turning 12.

What goals have you set for yourself for the next ten years?

Watching my children find their niches in life
Cherish every moment with friends and family

What items are on your bucket list?

Write my novel
Paris
Habitat for Humanity

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Please provide a joke, a current photo, and a photo from your time at Brandeis.
I'm definitely not a comedienne but...someone must be playing a joke on all of us
because it isn't possible that we graduated 30 years ago!!!!!!

