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“When we came on aliyah 25 years ago, some of our friends in South Africa asked if I wasn’t nervous about our 3-year old son, Robert, having to serve in the IDF,” says former Capetonian Linda Barron of Kfar Saba. “In my naiveté I laughed and said that by the time he was eighteen there wouldn’t be a need for him to even become a soldier!”

There must be many Southern African parents who over the decades thought or hoped the same.

For the month of war in the north, career officer Captain Robert Barron’s parents never knew where he was or what he did. “Something in intelligence is all we knew,” sighs Linda. Their daughter Melody, the only Sabra in the family, had just returned from the States when she was called up. “For thirty-three days she was stationed at the Kirya in Tel Aviv, operating under such stressful conditions that many an evening, she would return home and collapse in tears. She knew things that she could only share with herself.”

Linda concludes, “We are proud of our kids and are very thankful that they had not been in direct danger.”

Not so for the Hart family also of Kfar Saba. The only time they saw their son during the war was as a white dot running across the TV screen on nearly every news network. Formerly of Johannesburg, their son “D” belongs to an elite unit, that started out from 6000 applicants three years earlier and ended with twenty-four. As one of that elite 24, “D” participated in the IDF commando raid on the 1st August on the
Hezbollah stronghold of Baalbek in the Bekaa Valley. The first hint that something was afoot was “When we received a call Saturday morning at 5.45 from our son. “I’m fine, back at the base, dead beat and off to sleep. Watch the TV later.” The Harts did not return to bed, turned on the TV and waited. They would later see those “white dots darting across the screen heading to what looked like a building and realizing - one of them is our son.”

The war, although having no official name by the time we went to print – The Hezbollah War, The War in the North, the Katyusha War as some have been calling it — was well entrenched in the minds of all Israelis by the names of loved ones lost, kidnapped or injured.

Out of the 117 soldiers that never returned home, four were of Southern African ancestry. The first to fall was Yaniv Bar-on, killed in the skirmish on the first day of the war. Asher Novick, Noar Calo and Lotan Slevin followed Yaniv. (See tributes on page 46)

However what made this war different from previous hostilities – apart from the War of Independence - was that the battlefront included Israel’s cities, towns and rural settlements. Telfed Magazine spoke to Southern Africans caught up during and after the conflict.

Peter Kurland on Kibbutz Menara had lost count how many Katyushas had fallen on his kibbutz and neighbouring area. “The whole area is devastated; forests destroyed,” he laments. “Yesterday a missile fell right next to my home. We were told not to walk outside but I had to clean the area where the soldiers were stationed. Suddenly, I heard one hell of a bang and then saw that it had struck an electric cable with shrapnel falling on our residential complex. Five buildings were affected. The worst of it was that it caused a huge fire that took hours to put out. Our area was once all forests – no more. Last week a barrage of missiles struck the southern end of Kiryat Shmona causing a fire that spread all the way up the Naftali mountain range reaching the top cableway station and restaurant and then continued to the left and right.”

Sleep is a luxury few people in the north enjoyed. “The noise of the Katyushas and our own cannons was deafening,” said Peter. “You don’t get used to it, but I don’t
want to leave. This is my home and we are all prepared to suffer and wait until our army completes the job.”

Kibbutz Maayan Baruch, perched on the northern border facing both Lebanon and Syria has always been in the thick of it. After Israel left Lebanon six years ago, founding kibbutz member Leib Golan, who had lost a son serving in the IDF, told a Telfed organized tiyul group, “maybe things will now change. I look forward to the day when there will be an open highway from here to Damascus.” With Katyushas coming over at the rate of 120 on average a day, few people were thinking anytime soon of a spin in a convertible to Damascus.

Sadly, the only spin was that weaved by the politicians; that the war will end when the Katyushas stop and Hezbollah is neutralized. Neither happened and when 22 year-old Haren Lev was killed on the last Shabbat of the War, he was the twenty-second member of the kibbutz to die in action since 1948. One of his best friends was former South African Farrel Chonowitz also of Maayan Baruch. His mother Adrienne relates how emotionally draining life became for the family as the war wore on. “Farrel was fighting in Lebanon and we did not hear from him for eleven nerve-wracking days. Coupled with the Katyushas and our guns pounding all day, my daughter would enquire after each boom, “Is it ours or theirs”.

The Chonowitzs were lucky. The day before the cease-fire came into effect a Katyusha landed on the grass next to the kibbutz dinning room. “A piece of shrapnel flew quite some distance into our lounge and destroyed our TV. Fortunately we were in the bomb shelter at the time. Whatever our experiences - it all seemed so insignificant when we learnt of the death of Haren.”

Brenda and Antony Woodward from East London had only been in the country two weeks when the war broke out. Staying in the absorption center in Karmiel they were suddenly shaken out of their chairs when the first Katyusha landed in the street outside their bedroom window. “We were watching TV when the missile hit,” relates Brenda.

The Woodward Family (l-r: Kaeleigh, Tony and Brenda) of the Karmiel Absorption Center endured three attacks in rapid succession. “Plaster from the wall fell on my face,” said Brenda.
“There was no siren the first time so we were totally unprepared. As we ran to the bomb shelter, a second missile landed even closer and plaster from our wall came off right in my face. My husband was screaming at us to get down when the third landed. Then, there followed a couple of minutes of silence. It was so eerie.”

Suddenly, this Eastern Cape family that had been drawn to the Galilee because of the serenity, were running down the passage to the bomb shelter. “It was terrible. An elderly new immigrant was having a seizure. We now knew what it was like to be in the middle of a war.” That night the Woodwards discussed their situation. They decided that they were not returning to South Africa and “we felt the war will end and we will get on with our lives.” A former lecturer in Information Technology at Fort Hare University, Brenda is philosophical. “The sirens are now working and we have at least twenty seconds to a minute to hurry to the bomb shelter.”

That is a luxury that the Hirshfield family at Kfar Vradim, close to the Lebanese border, did not enjoy. “We have zero warning. By the time we hear the siren, the Katyushas have fallen,” says Avi Hirshfield. At the time of the interview during the second week of the war, some ten Katyushas had already landed in this picturesque northern town. Avi recalls that the first rocket to strike Kfar Vradim landed close to the house of his friends - Itz and Shirley Stein. “It landed in the middle of the road, creating a huge crater. Also blew off the garage door of an elderly couple’s home, with shrapnel penetrating throughout their house. We ran to attend to them who were understandably in a state of shock.”

For the children it was tough. “A missile screamed a few metres above our house as my 16 year-old daughter was on the balcony. She felt the heat of the missile as it shot past, landing 120 metres from our home. My twelve year-old refused to leave the bomb shelter. Never. Fortunately, I had converted it into a very livable area with a TV, DVD and games. I had to. With the continuous sound of explosions, the youngsters were terrified,” says Avi. While his son was fighting in Lebanon, he was thankful at least that his young daughter had a break for a few days at a summer camp away from
the war zone. Numerous holiday camps were set up in the centre of the country for youngsters from the north to enjoy a respite. **Gary Kaplan**, the writer’s son, as part of his service in the army, attended two such camps, sponsored by the Jewish Agency. The madrichim (leaders) were members of the Noar Ha’Oved Ve’Lomed youth movement. “These kids were all traumatized by the war but our tochniot (programmes) were well thought out and structured,” explains Gary. “It was difficult when they first arrived. They had been cooped up in bomb shelters and just wanted to do their thing, free of supervision. Also, they had hardly slept and were prone to nightmares. Nevertheless, we persevered with peulot (activities) that helped them talk about the war, their experiences, how to deal with it and whether they could perceive a future free of war.” Interestingly, although hardly mentioned in the media, Arab and Druze children from the north also attended these camps.

**SHOWING SOLIDARITY**

A few Southern African families from the north addressed a Solidarity Mission from South Africa headed by **Chief Rabbi Warren Goldstein**. The meeting was held in Jerusalem and organized by Telfed. Although the participants heard first hand about life on the front line, the group nevertheless felt the need to “get closer to the action” and ventured to Haifa, a city pounded nearly every day of the war. Two of the participants, **Zeev Krengel**, National Vice Chairman of the SA Board of Deputies and **Wayne Sussman**, former Secretary General of Habonim Dror South Africa, “wanted a closer look” and broke away from the group. Dodging Katyu-shas over a two-day period, they visited Southern Africans living on the northern border. Joined by **Paula Slier**, freelancing for the media in South Africa, they toured the north. Most memorable for Wayne, was meeting the former Meretz leader, **Yossi Sarid**, on his home in Moshav Margaliot where he had moved to from Tel Aviv, a few years back. “Accompanied by a police van we arrived at the chicken coop where he was collecting eggs. As we were getting out of our car, a Katyusha landed 80 metres from us. The guards panicked and ordered us to get the hell out of there, but I felt we had come so far and I was hell-bent on meeting Yossi. We did not have long to wait. Following the commotion, out strolled the former Minister of Education, totally relaxed. **South African Solidarity Mission Delegates Wayne Sussman (left) and Ze’ev Krengel (rt) visit Yossi Sarid at his home on Moshav Margaliot near the Lebanese border.**
and in his trademark atonal gravel voice, he welcomed us.” Wayne describes what followed next as surreal. “The police were trying to hurry us in the direction of a bomb shelter while Yossi was telling them to back off. He had a job to do. After all, he had eggs to collect! What could be more important? And so we ambled back with him into the chicken coop.” Wayne was full of admiration; “here was an iconic Leftist collecting his eggs in the heat of war. For me, he was the epitome of the defiant, earth-rooted Zionist. A.D. Gordon would have been proud.”

**Paula Slier reports:**

**HAIFA - “If that’s what it takes”**

**Cyril Feinberg** cuts our interview short. He tells me his apartment is shaking and rockets are falling all around him. The siren has just gone off and he has ninety seconds to get to the bomb shelter just outside his front door. “I’ve lost count how many times I’ve gone there,” his voice waivers. He is scared, but not for himself; only for his country. “The idea of having left South Africa for anywhere but Israel was unthinkable, in the same way that leaving Haifa would be unacceptable. I have no intention of making way for anybody who wants my home.”

Formerly of Johannesburg, **Anna Ben-David** (nee Agulnik) is less concerned with politics and more concerned with how her three young children are coping. “It’s terrible,” she mumbles, admitting that earlier in the day she collapsed from the stress. “I was at home alone with my boys when the first rockets hit Haifa. We don’t have a shelter so we ran to my neighbour taking five minutes to get there. While we were running there was another siren, then booms, then a siren, then more booms. It was hell. Absolute hell. Me in my nightie, my children in underpants and T-shirts, none of us had brushed our teeth.”

The family stayed inside the shelter for five hours. The following two days were more of the same, but it became easier. “The moment my children hear a siren now they rush like soldiers to the front door and get ready to move. It’s amazing how quickly they’ve adjusted to the situation. Once, when I put the kettle on, my little boy woke up in the middle of his sleep and hearing its whistling noise, shouted, “Mom, the siren; we must go to the bunker!” They know the situation is really serious but seem less traumatized. We are in the right, we want our kidnapped soldiers back - and our children know this too. We are strong and we’re prepared to be in bunkers if that’s what it takes.”

[ed. After the war, Anna’s husband Haim was tragically killed in a diving accident in Haifa port.]
IN MEMORIAM

The chairman Itz Kalmanowitz, members of the Executive, the Director and Staff of Telfed express heartfelt condolences to families whose loved ones have passed away in recent months:

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ASHER NOVICK (Z’L)

Sometimes there are no spoken words that can express ‘heartbreak,’ but maybe written words can. This is about a very unique family - the Novicks, who came on Aliya from South Africa in 1977 - father Issy, mother Pearl (my very close friend), and four wonderful kids, Leeor, Tanya, Ashie, and Barak. What’s so unique about that, you may ask? In thirty years of living in Israel everyone is touched by heart-break, but Pearl has had so much... from the death of her firstborn daughter Leeor 28, from Leukemia eleven years back, to the passing of her husband Issy three years ago, and now this!

Ashie, a paratrooper, was called up to join his special unit. They were resting in a house in Debel, Lebanon, when a missile hit the house, which collapsed, killing him and eight of his comrades.

Ashie, her eldest son who celebrated his 36th birthday just a week previously with his child-hood sweetheart Ossie and their two kids, Yuvalie 10 and Ittai 6; Ashie, who was doing the work he loved as manager of the Luna Gal on the Kinneret five minutes from Moshav...
Kanaf where he loved to live; all gone! Ashie, the kind, gentle, modest, stoic, reliable guy who, when asked by his basic training officer why he had volunteered for this dangerous unit, had replied, “my mother as a young girl volunteered for the Israeli army, and later persuaded my Dad to bring the family on Aliya, so I too wanted to safeguard my Moledet, (Homeland).” Here was the Ashie concerned for everybody’s’ well-being, now gone! What a vacuum, what heartbreak for all!

So, what’s so unique? Unique is Pearl (Ashie’s mother) who can still raise her head above all this heartbreak and look at life with a positive and loving attitude. That’s what’s so unique!

Roni Wolf, Raanana

NAOR CALO (Z’L)

Naor Calo, aged 25, of Ma’agan Michael, was killed in the village of Dubel in Lebanon, on 9th August, 2006. Naor, who served in the elite corps of “Yael” in the Engineering Unit, was also a paramedic and was killed during a Hezbollah attack when he ran to attend to soldiers who had been injured. Naor is survived by his parents, Barbara and Avner Calo, three brothers and two sisters, as well as his girlfriend.

His mother, Barbara Calo (née Sacks) was born in Pinelands, Cape Town, where she attended primary school, and later Sans Souci High School in Newlands. In 1978 she came to Israel and later joined the Ulpan on Kibbutz Ma’agan Michael, where she met her husband, Avner. Naor was their first child, and the first sabra in Barbara’s family.

Naor loved the sea and was a committed surfer — both regular and kite surfing. He enjoyed many sports, ranging from snooker and rollerblading to tennis, basketball and snowboarding. He, along with his two younger brothers, played football for Ma’agan Michael’s team, which won both the league and regional cup just over a month ago. He was a keen amateur photographer and particularly enjoyed photographing the nature and wildlife of which he was so fond. He loved cooking and took great care of his plants and herbs. He enjoyed visiting different countries in Europe, Central and South America where he travelled, surfed and snowboarded. He and his girlfriend, Natalie, who had planned to get married next year, had already booked a trip to Thailand for this September. He always wanted to visit South Africa with its abundant wildlife and nature, and the family had spoken several times of a possible visit. Naor’s loyalty to those close to him and his zest for life led to many varied circles of friendship, including the surfing community and football fraternity who have made plans to commemorate his memory. Everyone who knew Naor will always remember his ready smile, his laughter and optimism, his good nature and his ironic sense of humour. He will be sorely missed by his family and friends.

The Family
LOTAN SLEVIN (Z’L)

On the 24th July, officer Lotan Slevin (Z’L), son of Gil and Iris Slevin, was killed in the thick of battle. Commander of his tank, he had instructed the vehicle to stop and pick up wounded shoulders, who were then hurriedly brought into the tank. With little room left inside, Lotan stood half outside, exposed to enemy fire. The tank took a direct hit and Lotan was killed instantly.

Raised from childhood on Moshav Hatsevah in the South – his South African grandparents Cecil and the late Pat Slevin were pioneers in Eilat from the 1950’s - Lotan would heroically lose his life in the North, in the battlefields of Lebanon.

Cecil and Pat, both from the Eastern Cape, came to Israel in 1948 to fight in the War of Independence. Both Lotan’s father and grandfather had been officers before him - Cecil had served in the Jewish Brigade during the Second World War - and in keeping with family tradition, Lotan requested to be sent into action when war broke out.

Only two weeks before he was killed, he was honored as a Katzin Mitztayen (Outstanding Officer). Twenty-one year old, Lotan leaves behind his parents and three brothers - Omer, Yogev and Bar.

YANIV BAR-ON (Z’L)

19-year-old Staff-Sgt. Yaniv Bar-on (Z’L), son of Carleen and Asher Bar-on (formerly Errol Wayburne) of Maccabim, and grandson of Marcia and the late Ellis Wayburne of Rehovot, was killed on the first day of the war on the 12th July. “It all started when the Hezbollah started shelling the army outposts on the border,” relates father Asher, who came on aliyah with his family in 1970 from Johannesburg. “It was all a diversion and Yaniv’s outpost was heavily hit. They then attacked our border patrol, killing three of our soldiers and kidnapping two. Yaniv and his comrades immediately went into action and dashed for their tank; quite a feat with all the shelling that was going on. An armoured vehicle that was to give chase and try to cut off the kidnappers joined them. As Yaniv’s tank crossed the border – Yaniv was the driver - they went over a mine killing all inside.”

Yaniv’s hobby was civil aviation and he planned on becoming an air-traffic controller. Like most youngsters, he loved sport and founded the Maccabi Basketball Fan Club in Maccabim and ran its website.

Yaniv is survived by his parents and siblings, Eitan and Hadass.
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