



Taste of Memories is a new and unique commemoration project that aims to commemorate Israel Defense Force's fallen soldiers and Israeli terror victims, through the cooking of their favorite recipes, while telling their stories.

As part of the project, cooking sessions are being held, where the participants cook a favorite dish of a fallen soldier or terror victim, that could not come back home to enjoy it themselves.

In the session you will cook, taste and share pictures, stories, videos and anecdotes about the person behind the dish, and their family, in order to keep their memory alive





Avi Greenzweig



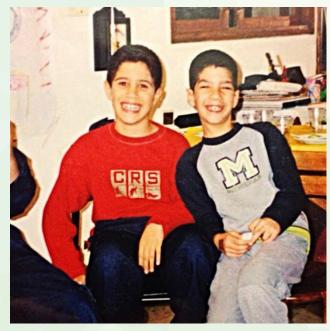
#### **Childhood:**

Avraham (Avi) was born on August 11, 1993 in Petach Tikvah to Hedva and Gideon. He shared his birthday with his twin sister, Inbal. From a young age Avi was funny, very clever, and curious kid.















Growing up, Avi had a strong group of friends who remember his optimism, kindness, and being someone who was passionate about art. During high school Avi played guitar and later learned to play bass too. He played in a local band called, "Prisma". A highlight of the band was performing in the main celebration event in Rishon LeZion for Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Israel's Independence Day.



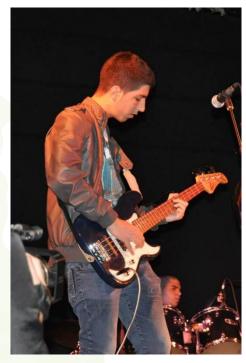
Towards the end of high school Avi met his girlfriend, Mallory Walter.

He loved sports, especially soccer, and was a fan of his hometown Hapoel Petach-Tikva soccer team.



















From early on, commitment to Israel and Zionism were a big part of Avi's life. After high school, he looked forward to serving his country as a combat soldier during his mandatory military service in the Israel Defense Forces (IDF). When he was finally notified that he would be enlisting in the *Nahal* Infantry Brigade, Avi was happy and excited for the opportunity.



Avi enlisted in the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) in November 2011 and served in the *Shaham* Battalion 931 in the *Nahal* Brigade.

He successfully completed the grueling course of basic training, advanced training, and a tour on active duty in Hebron. Avi even earned the operational battalion pin. He also was selected to be a sniper—a prestigious role.



Throughout his service Avi proved himself as a standout soldier time and time again. He was awarded a medal from his battalion commander and was later promoted to the rank of First Sergeant, a leadership position. In early 2014 he was appointed to two important positions: as liaison of the company deputy commander—the head of communications, and as deputy to company sergeant.













## Avi fell in battle during Operation Protective Edge

(in Hebrew, Mivtzah Tzuk Eitan) on July 25, 2014.

During Operation Protective Edge, Avi's battalion was operating in the Gaza Strip. During the the Battle of Beit Hanun, his unit came across a group of Hamas terrorists. A number of his fellow soldiers were injured and in danger. Avi was able to rescue one of his friends. He bravely returned to the fight to attempt another rescue but was killed by enemy fire and died instantly. In his final moments, Avi showed his devotion to his mission, to his comrades, and willingness sacrifice everything to carry out his duties for his country.

He was laid to rest in the Petah Tikva military cemetery.











Avi was posthumously awarded a commendation for his devotion to the mission and striving for victory:

"The operational company of the Shacham Battalion, which was filled by First Sergeant Avi (Avraham) Greenzweig, the liaison officer of the company's deputy commander, was ordered to fire weapons to break through a street. Machine-gun fire and grenades killed one and wounded two others. At that time, First Sergeant Avi and his commander, were in a nearby building and hurried to the site. When he arrived at the scene he and a fellow soldier began to evacuate the wounded. The second time he tried to evacuate another wounded man, he was injured and died of his wounds when he reached the security fence between Israel and the Gaza Strip.



In February 2015, a ceremony was held to give awards and honor for soldiers who fell in battle during Operation Protective Edge. Avi's parents, seen in the picture, were present to receive his medal of bravery.





#### From Avi's sister, Inbal:

"My twin brother, half of me is gone. I sit in front of a blank page and that's how I feel my heart is at the moment. You've gone and left me alone. We were always two. Twins. Our friends called me "Avi two" and you "Inbal two." I was so proud of you. Every time that I would say that I was my Avi's sister, people became excited. You were so loved by all. You served in the army for almost three years as a combat soldier, with few opportunities to visit home. I know how difficult that was and how much everyone around you appreciated you.

I know that you are in a good place now. I promise you that you will always be with us in our hearts. No one will forget you. Rest in peace".



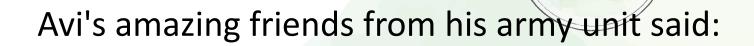












"The night before we entered Gaza, we all sat together at the base. We did not know what lay ahead but we tried to maintain a light atmosphere. We were trying to calm our nerves and were joking about guessing who amongst us might die? We all agreed to get a tattoo in memory if one of us fell in battle. So Avi, our brother, this is for you—you will be with us forever. We love and miss you!"



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