This Week at

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April 26, 2025 28 Nissan 5785 Shabbat Shemini Birchat Hachodesh



## YOM HAZIKARON - Wednesday April 30th

Yom HaZikaron is the day of national remembrance in Israel to commemorate all the soldiers and people who lost their lives during the struggle to defend the State of Israel. On this day we mourn and remember our fallen soldiers and all lives lost by terror. In Israel, it begins with a siren at 8:00 the evening before. As soon as the siren is heard, Israeli citizens stop whatever they're doing, wherever they are, and stand firm to honor those lost.

Israel Independence Day (Yom Ha'Atzmaut) begins the moment Yom HaZikaron ends. This is because the State of Israel wouldn't be able to celebrate its existence if it were not for those who gave their lives for it. We honor their memory and everything they fought for, so that today we can celebrate our independence.



## YOM HA'ATZMAUT - Thursday May 1st

On May 14, 1948 (5<sup>th</sup> of Iyar, 5708), eight hours before the expiration of the British Mandate of Palestine, future Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion declared the establishment of the State of Israel. The new state was quickly recognized by many other countries. However, the surrounding Arab states did not recognize it and attacked the newly formed Jewish state initiating the first Arab-Israeli War, which is known as the War of Independence.

The major State Ceremony for Yom Ha'atzmaut takes place on the eve of the holiday at Mount Herzl with the ceremonial lighting of twelve torches which symbolize the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

#### HAPPY ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY!

# Candle Lighting 7:28 pm

Kabbalat Shabbat — 7:38 pm For week of 04/26/25 - 04/02/25





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