

We want to thank Rabbi Michael and the Eshel Avraham community for adopting our family in these difficult days. We know they are in your thoughts and prayers and thank you for that from the bottom of our hearts.

In the conversation with Rabbi Michael, we asked to take advantage of this stage to bring you together with the people who stand behind the names you pray for.

Clara, Fernando and Gabriela are three brothers, cousins of our mother – Graciela Perelman. 17-year-old Mia is Gabriela's daughter and Luis has been Clara's partner for over 22 years.

On Saturday, October 7th, Clari hosted Louis, Gabi, Mia and Nano at her home in Kibbutz Nir Yitzhak. They all entered the shelter after a barrage of rockets and red alarms began. At 08:30, Clari spoke with Ma'ayan, her eldest daughter, and said that she was afraid that the terrorists would also come to Kibbutz Nir Yitzhak and enter the houses because there was no army to protect them. Contact with Clari was cut off around 11:00 a.m. Later the mobile devices were located in Gaza.

Clari is 64 years old, born in Argentina, immigrated to Israel in 1982 with a nucleus of Hashomer HaTzair to Kibbutz Nir Yitzhak.

Clara is the legendary kindergarten teacher at Kibbutz Nir Yitzhak. She worked in this position for 40 years in the kibbutz. When she finished her work in this field about 4 years ago, she started working at the seniors' club in the kibbutz and welfare of the Eshkol local council with families at risk.

Clara is a warm, giving, and loving woman. She is an anchor of support; she always cares for others. She and Luis often visit their grandchildren together, they are active and especially loved grandparents. Clari has a very prominent feature. She tends to talk to adults in exactly the same tone as she talks to two-year-olds.

Clari has "golden hands", and she really enjoys baking, this is another way for her to give love. Her crembo cake is the perfect dessert. She believes in the good in a person and her mantra is: "Think good, it will be good."

Luis is 70 years old, born in Argentina, when he immigrated to Israel in the 1970s, he initially lived in Kibbutz Megiddo and later moved to Kibbutz Urim. Luis is the father of 4 adult children (3 daughters: Karin, Rinat, Natalie and a son - Nir and grandfather to 10 grandchildren who call him Lulish.

He is an accountant by profession who retired at the beginning of 2023. To celebrate the event, he went on a trip to Argentina with Clari, Gabi and Nano.

Luis is a master at making pizzas, empanadas and more. Generous and a giving man, loved and a people's person. He has been dancing folk dances in the band "Aya Eshkol" for many years and appears every year in LOGON musicals.

Fernando, or Nano, is 60 years old, born in Argentina, single. Immigrated to Israel in the late 1990s. Engaged in the field of furniture and wood. Works at a store - "in &

out" in Ramat Hasharon. He is the "handyman" of the family. Has golden hands, just like his father, Uncle Israel. He is creative, loves people, dedicated and full of giving.

Nano is very attached to his sisters - Clara and Gabriela. The relationship between them is daily and very collaborative. He is a beloved uncle with a "heart of gold".

Gabriela, Gabi, is 59 years old, born in Argentina, immigrated to Israel in the late 1990s, lives in Jerusalem, married to Moshe and mother to Mia.

Gabi is a psychologist; she works at Shekel (community integration for people with disabilities) and manages a therapeutic agricultural farm for children and adults with special needs. We hear they miss her very much.

Gabi is warm, hugging, caring. She is very close to her siblings – Clari and Nano. The relationship between them is daily and very collaborative.

Mia, Gabriela and Moshe's daughter, she is 17 years old, a 12th grade student at the School of Arts in Jerusalem. She is a busy teenager: she is studying for her high school diplomas, works in Kravitz, sings, swims and is getting her driver's license. She strives for excellence and success in her studies and graduations. Her friends talk about her caring and that she knows how to be a good friend.

That cursed Saturday, in the morning, Clara sent my mother a recorded message in which she says:

"I can't call, I'm locked in the shelter with Gabi, Nano, Mia and Luis. The area here is problematic, we have terrorists around the house. We are in contact with the entire kibbutz. I hope you are all right, a big hug, sweetheart." A few minutes after this message, they lost contact.

When we asked Ma'ayan and Gefen, the daughters of Clari, if they had a message they would like us to convey to you, they asked that you tell your relatives, your friends and anyone who wants to hear about them and that you help them keep the issue of the abductees on the agenda.

We hope, wish, and pray for their return home safe and sound, they and all the abductees held captive by Hamas in Gaza.

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