Selma Kupferberg, a major benefactor to Queens College, has passed away. Born Selma Share, she married QC alum Max Kupferberg in 1946 and lived with him in Bayside, where they raised their children Saul—a member of the Queens College Foundation—and Rhoda.

“Selma was Max’s helpmate and partner in everything,” says Sue Henderson, Chief Operating Officer and Vice President of Institutional Advancement at Queens College. “The couple’s generosity and visionary gift of $10 million enabled us to establish the Selma and Max Kupferberg Center for the Visual and Performing Arts, which has become a cultural hub for Queens and the greater metropolitan area. Selma will be deeply missed, and all of us at Queens College extend our condolences to the Kupferberg family.”

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Selma’s name to the Queens College Foundation.