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Shelf Stable Meals

Houston (www.koshertoday.com)...The late Col. Ilan Ramon made news all over the world when he chose a kosher diet aboard the ill-fated Columbia space shuttle. The kosher fare was one of a number of actions the Israeli astronaut initiated to profile his Jewish identity. The meals were produced by Mary Anne Jackson and her husband Joe D'Onofrio who are the proprietors of My Own Meals, shelf stable meals that can be heated and eaten. My Own Meals is under the supervision of Rabbi Moshe Soloveichik of Chicago. Shelf stable meals have become extremely popular with kosher adherents. The 2002 Product of the Year at Kosherfest 2002 was La Briute, a new brand of shelf stable meals that also includes a heating element and does not require an oven. Abraham Halberstam of EuroCut, which produces and distributes the meals, says that he has received rave reviews about his meals "particularly from people who might otherwise have eaten their meals out of a tuna can."