

Maurice Abrich

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PROVIDENCE — Maurice Abrich, 83, of 62 General St., associated with his brothers in running the former Allens Avenue Oil Company for many years, died today at Charlesgate Nursing Center.

He was born in Providence, a son of the late Abraham and Ida (Taber) Abrich.

After graduation from Brown University in 1925, he worked for a brokerage house on Wall Street until the 1929 stock market crash, when he returned to Providence.

In the 1930s he joined his two brothers in operating the oil company, at Allens Avenue and Public Street. Besides selling oil under the Aloco brand name, the company also blended lubricating oil and sold it to retailers in Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Abrich retired from the oil company when the state purchased the company's property. He then traveled extensively throughout Mexico, Europe and North Africa.

He leaves a sister, Mrs. Thelma De Leon, and a brother, Jacob L. Abrich, both of Cranston.

A graveside service will be held tomorrow at noon at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

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