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SYLVIA M. BAKER

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Sylvia M.

MIDDLETOWN — Sylvia M. Baker, 74, of 78 Phelps Road, an English and social studies teacher for 30 years before retiring in 1984, died Dec. 22 at home. She was the wife of Frank Baker.

Born in Brockton, Mass., she was a daughter of the late Benjamin and Rose (Schwartz) Richman.

Baker was a 1940 graduate of Bridgewater State Teachers College in Bridgewater, Mass. During her career, she taught in junior high schools in Schenectady and Auburn, N.Y., and Ohio schools.

She came to Middletown in 1984 after retiring.

Baker was a member of Temple Shalom, where she was the founder of the "Tree of Life." She was the past president of the Newport Chapter of Hadassah and was a member of the Touro Synagogue Auxiliary. She was also a founder of the B'nai B'rith Women and the Sisterhood of Congregation Agudas Achim, both of Schenectady, and was a member of the Jewish Home for the Aged in Providence. She was a Sunday School teacher in Schenectady, Auburn and Ohio.

Besides her husband, she leaves a son, Stuart Baker of Middletown, Conn.; two daughters, Barbara Finger of Brockton, Mass., and Dr. Janet Weinberg of Binghamton, N.Y.; a sister, Beverly Adler of Cranston; a brother, Samuel Richman of New York City, and five grandchildren.

The funeral was held Dec. 24 at Temple Shalom, Valley Road, Middletown. Burial was in Plymouth Rock Cemetery, Brockton, Mass. Arrangements were made by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. ✓