

BELL, CLAIRÉ
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PROVIDENCE

BELL, CLAIRÉ (ABRAMS), 85, of Providence, died Friday at Miriam Hospital after a brief and unexpected illness. She had been married to Bernard E. Bell since 1946, and was the daughter of the late Saul D. and Anna (Schreiber) Abrams of Providence.

She died surrounded by her loving family: her husband, daughter Deborah Bell of Kansas City, MO, son Jonathan J. Bell of Pawtucket, and close family friend A.J. Morse. Sadly, she was predeceased by a son, Daniel, who died of Cancer in 1970.

She was a graduate of Hope High School and of Wellesley College (1944). Claire spent a number of years working in biochemical pharmacology research at Brown University, and had been at various times the President of the RI Chapter of Hadassah, President of the RI Wellesley Club, and a member of the Board of the Tockwotten Home. She was very active in philanthropic work throughout her life.

Her life was marked by courage, compassion, and common sense. She was always there for her extended family and many friends. She managed great adversity and somehow never showed the strain. She was quite simply extraordinary.

The funeral service will be held Sunday, December 9th, at 1:00 PM at SUGARMAN-SINAI MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 458 Hope St., Providence with burial in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hadassah, or to American Friends of Hospice of the Upper Galilee, both of which can be sent to P.O. Box 603048, Providence, RI 02906. Shiva will be observed at her late residence, Sun 7-9 and Mon - Thur 2-4 & 7-9 PM.