

Providence

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ROBERT R. BERKOWITZ, 97, of 500 Angell St., founder and owner of the former Rhode Island Florist Supply Co. for more than 40 years before retiring, died yesterday at the Summit Medical Center. He was the husband of the late Bessie (Horvitz) Berkowitz. He was also the husband of the late Ann (Zura) Berkowitz.

Born in Palestine, now Israel, he settled in Dorchester, Mass., as an infant and moved to Providence 70 years ago.

Mr. Berkowitz received his engineering degree from the former Rhode Island State College, now the University of Rhode Island. After retirement, he became a salesman for the former Rhode Island Tobacco Co. He was an Army veteran of World War I, and served with the Signal Corps in the Philippine Islands. He was a past commander of the Rhode Island Jewish War Veterans, Post 23.

He leaves a son, Dr. Norman Berkowitz of Providence; eight grandsons, and five great-grandchildren. He was the father of the late Morton B. Berkowitz.

A graveside service will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. at Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Burial will follow.

BERKOWITZ, Robert R.

May 14, 1995. Beloved husband of the late Bessie (Horvitz) Berkowitz and the late Ann (Zura) Berkowitz. Resi-

dence 500 Angell St. Dear father of Dr. Norman Berkowitz, Providence, and the late Morton B. Berkowitz. Devoted grandfather of Gary, Leonard, Alan, Eric, Marc, Steven, Richard and James Berkowitz. Devoted great-grandfather of 5 great-grandchildren. Graveside funeral service 2 p.m. Tuesday at LINCOLN PARK Cemetery, Post Rd., Warwick. Relatives and friends are invited. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to The Ruth and Norman Berkowitz Fund c/o Temple Emanu-El. Memorial observance at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Norman Berkowitz, 4 Old Tannery Rd., Tuesday 7-9 p.m. and Wednesday and Thursday 2-4; 7-9 p.m. Arrangements by MOUNT SINAI MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

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