

BERSTEIN,
DR BERNARD J.

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NARRAGANSETT

 **BERSTEIN, DR. BERNARD J.**, 81, of 20 Riverside Drive, died Saturday at South County Hospital. He was the beloved husband of Dorothy (Kaplan) Bernstein. They were married for 58 years.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Jakob and Rose (Wallach) Bernstein, he had lived in Providence most of his life before moving to Narragansett 11 years ago. He was an optometrist in North Providence for 25 years before becoming an obstetrician-gynecologist in North Providence for 25 years, retiring 8 years ago.

He served on the State Board of Optometric Examiners under two Governors. He was a graduate of Brown University, Class of 1950, Massachusetts College of Optometry, Class of 1953 and Boston University School of Medicine, Class of 1972. Dr. Bernstein was an Army veteran serving in the Medical Corps during WW-II, in the Pacific Theater and in the Korean Conflict, in Seoul. He was a member of Temple Beth David in Narragansett and was a former member of Temple Emanu-El. He was a member of Touro Fraternal Association, Overseas Lodge AF and AM and the Rhode Island Shrine.

Devoted father of Richard Bernstein, Esq. and his wife Meryl of Warwick, Dr. Larry P. Bernstein and his wife Victoria of Syosset, NY and Dr. Jason Bernstein of Boynton Beach, FL. Dear brother of Eleanor Krasner of Providence and the late Isadore Bernstein and Ruth Fink. Loving grandfather of Scott, Julie, Josh, Daniel, Heather, Marissa, Lindsay and Alison.

Funeral services will be held Sunday at 11:00 a.m. in SHALOM MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 1100 New London Ave., Cranston. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, 931 Jefferson Blvd., Suite 3004, Warwick, RI 02886. Shiva will be observed at his late residence Sunday 7-9 and Monday 2-4 & 7-9 p.m.