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## Obituaries

### R. I. native found stabbed in New York apartment

NEW YORK — Leslie Blackman, 44, a native of Providence, was found apparently stabbed to death last night in her apartment at 227 E. 66th St. where she lived alone.

Police this morning had no theories on the motive for the killing which took place in the nicely kept, mid-income six-story apartment on the city's East Side.

Miss Blackman was found lying in the living room of her three-room apartment at about 10:30. She was dead on arrival at a local hospital.

Police said she had been stabbed a

number of times. Neighbors said they didn't see or hear anything yesterday. The building's superintendent, who refused to give his name, said Miss Blackman lived alone and didn't have many visitors.

"I never saw any friends or visitors except for a young nephew who came to visit," he said.

Police said the apartment did not appear to have been ransacked. They are waiting for relatives to tell them if any valuables are missing.

The normally quiet neighborhood was hit about a month ago by a rash of burglaries. The building is less than two blocks from the current residence of former President Nixon.

Born in Providence, Miss Blackman was a daughter of the late Charles and Rose (Leve) Blackman, and had lived in New York for 15 years.

The sister of the late Dr. Alden Blackman, who practiced in Providence, Miss Blackman is survived by her sister, Mrs. Joy Jessel of Providence.

Miss Blackman received her Bachelors of Arts degree, from Smith College in 1957 and her Masters of Arts degree from Boston University in 1958. She had formerly taught in the Edgemont School system for 13 years. She was a member of the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Private funeral services will be held.

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