

FLINK, JAMES

FLINK, JAMES M., PHD,

resident of Copenhagen, Denmark formerly of Providence, RI passed away on September 29th 2012. He is predeceased by his parents Rose and Ellis Flink.

He leaves daughters Sophia Flink and Mathilde Flink and his best friend Agnethe Nordentoft of Copenhagen, his sister Joanne Flink Silver and brother-in-law Robert Silver of Framingham, MA as well as a nephew and four nieces in the US and Denmark.

Dr. Flink had a long and distinguished career in academia and industry including professorships at MIT and the Royal Veterinary and Agricultural College in Copenhagen. In his academic and industrial career he contributed to the field of freeze drying and protein biophysics. He was part of a team at pharmaceutical firm NovoNordisk which led to the approval of a new diabetes drug treatment.

He received the Knight of the Order of Dannebrog from the Queen of Denmark for special service to the country.

In 1978 he received the Samuel Cate Prescott award for research by the Institute of Food Technologists. This award is given to an outstanding research scientist under 35 in the field.

At Hope High Jim was a track athlete and received the Wally Sundlun, Jr. award as RI Jewish Athlete of the year 1961 going on to excel at MIT where he held various sprint records. Jim is a member of the RI Jewish Athletic Hall of Fame.

A graveside service will be held at Temple Beth El Cemetery, Reservoir Ave., Providence on Thursday, Oct 11th at 1:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the charity of your choice. Shiva will be private. For information and condolences, SugarmanSinai.com.