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MANY ATTEND FUNERAL OF DAVID FRANK

Service at Late Home in Phenix Followed by Services in Synagogue Ava-Sholem in Arctic.—Burial is at Jewish Cemetery, Lincoln Park.

The funeral of David Frank, prominent Phenix merchant, which was held from his late home, Le Valley street in Phenix, and was followed by a service at the Synagogue of Ava-Sholem at Main street, Arctic, was largely attended. People came from many sections of the Valley and from Springfield, New York, Fall River and Providence to pay tribute to the memory of him who was so well-known and had conducted a successful business at Phenix for many years.

It was a long procession of automobiles and special busses that conveyed the large number of relatives, friends and business associates from the late home to the synagogue in Arctic and from there to the Jewish Cemetery in Lincoln Park.

Rabbi Morris Schissheim, formerly in charge of Temple Beth-Israel of Providence, and a close friend of the deceased, conducted the service at the late home and also officiated at the synagogue. He also gave a eulogy in English. Rabbi Parila of Providence conducted the services in Hebrew while the services at the Jewish Cemetery were in charge of Dr. Jacob Sonderling and Rabbi Keller.

Mr. Frank was one of the founders of the Arctic synagogue.

DAVID FRANK, PHENIX MERCHANT, DIES SUDDENLY AT THE AGE OF 55

His Funeral Will Be Held Tomorrow

One of Founders of Ava-Sholom Synagogue at Arctic, Had Been Engaged in Business in Phenix for 32 Years.—Leaves Wife, Three Sons and Three Daughters.—Started Junk Establishment.—Later Went Into Retail Lace and Remnant Business, and Then Opened General Dry Goods Store.

David Frank, prominent business man of Phenix and senior member of the firm of D. Frank and Sons of Main street, died suddenly at his home Le Valley street, Phenix, last evening as a result of an attack of acute indigestion. Although he had been in failing health for a long time his untimely death came as a sudden shock to all who knew him. He was at his store shortly before seven o'clock and from there walked to his home about an eighth of a mile from the establishment. Shortly after he reached home he was stricken with what proved a fatal attack.

The funeral will be held at one o'clock tomorrow afternoon at his late home. Besides his wife, Mr. Frank leaves three sons, Samuel of Providence, and Harry and Jacob of Phenix, the last two named sons having been associated with their father in business; and three daughters, Mrs. Marion Hassenfield of Providence, and Florence and Dorothy Frank, at home, and seven grandchildren.

Mr. Frank was in his 55th year. He was one of the founders of the Ava-Sholom Synagogue at Main street Arctic, and was a member of Baron Hirsch Lodge of Providence, Narragansett Lodge, Knight of Pythias, of Phenix, and the West Warwick Chamber of Commerce. He was born in Austria and came to Providence with his parents when he was 14 years old. Upon coming to the Valley with his wife and family 32 years ago, Mr. Frank engaged himself in the peddling business. Later he established a junk business at Main street, Phenix, in what is known as the John Miller building. He engaged in retail and wholesale waste, metal and general junk business and this enterprise grew rapidly. Additional storage

space was secured, and later Mr. Frank started a lace and remnant store which also proved successful. Seeking larger quarters for his store Mr. Frank purchased the Conley building on Main street and used the entire building for a dry goods and general remnant store. Several buildings along Main street were secured for storage purposes. Today the store is one of the largest retail establishments in the Valley.