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Obituaries

Edward's Sporting Goods founder, Goldberg, at 75

GOLDBERG E. EDWARD

NEWPORT — Edward Goldberg, 75, of 17 Everett St., died yesterday at Newport Hospital. He was the husband of Florence Werner Tobak Goldberg.

A native of Providence, Mr. Goldberg was a son of the late Harry and Ida Sonion Goldberg. In 1951, he came to Newport and opened Edward's Sporting Goods. He retired in 1973.

He owned a drug store in Providence, was a department manager and assistant buyer for the Outlet Co. and was chairman of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.'s union committee for negotiating agents' contracts.

He was the first president of Temple Shalom in Middletown; a past president of the Middletown Lions Club; a past president of B'nai B'rith and its program chairman; past president of the Martin Luther King Center; past president of the What Cheer Lodge, Knights of Pithius of Providence and past grand Rhode Island chancellor.

For several years, Mr. Goldberg was co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal. Until recently, he was area vice president of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island. He was also past area chairman of the Cancer Crusade, vice president of the Newport Chamber of Commerce, past president of the former Newport Discussion Club and past president of the William T. Bull Athletic Club.

Mr. Goldberg was chairman of the Rhode Island Commission on Youth and Children in 1958 and for many years led the People to People Program, promoting sporting events in the state. Mr. Goldberg recieved a Masada Award of the Bonds for Israel for his civic service.

Besides his wife, Mr. Goldberg leaves three children, James, Helen and Anne, and two sisters, Marian Feinberg of Woburn, Mass., and Gertrude Sloane of Boston. He was also the brother of the late Lillian Bor of Newport.

The funeral was to be today in Temple Shalom. Burial will be in Beth Olam Cemetery, Middletown.