

Leo M. Goldberg, 81, dies; Providence lawyer for 57 years

PROVIDENCE — Leo M. Goldberg, 81, of 51 Lorraine Ave., a lawyer in Providence for 57 years, died yesterday at home. He was the husband of Ruth (Shartenberg) Goldberg.

Born in Providence, he was a son of the late Harris and Sarah (Gere) Goldberg.

Mr. Goldberg was listed in the first edition of *Who's Who in American Law* in 1977, and was listed in the 1980 edition of *Men of Achievement*, a national periodical.

He was a 1928 graduate of Brown University and Yale University Law School in 1931.

Mr. Goldberg practiced before the Rhode Island and Massachusetts Bars, the U.S. District of Rhode Island and the Massachusetts and the U.S. First Circuit Court of Appeals. He formed the law firm of Goldberg and Goldberg in 1934 and was active until last Friday.

He was a public defender before the Rhode Island Supreme Court. He tried the largest eminent domain cases in Rhode Island in 1956.

His memberships included the American, Rhode Island and Massachusetts Bar Associations, the American Judicature Society and the Association of Trial Lawyers of America.

He was a Phi Beta Kappa of Brown University and his honors included the Francis Wayland Scholarship and the James Manning Scholarship. He was an Army veteran of World War II and served in the European Theater.

Mr. Goldberg was honored in 1981 by the Rhode Island Senate on the occasion of his 50th year of law practice. He was a member of Temple Beth-El and its Brotherhood, Congregation Sons of Jacob, the Jewish Home for Aged, the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island and the Chessed Schel Emess.

Besides his wife he leaves two sisters, Mary Horowitz and Gertrude A. Harris, both of Providence.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow at noon at Mt. Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial will be in Congregations Sons of Israel and David Cemetery.

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