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SEEKONK, Mass. — Morris Goldberg, 70, of 48 Marlaine Drive, a member of the finance committee and founder of the Greater Seekonk Kiwanis Club, died April 1 at Rhode Island Hospital. He was the husband of the late Susan L. Goldberg.

A self-made man who quit school in London at the age of 14 and served in the Royal Air Force during World War II, he came to this country via Canada and rose through the ranks as a union tool and die maker to become division president of a semiconductor manufacturer.

He became president of Career Personnel Services Inc. in Providence, retiring in 1992.

He was perhaps best known for his tireless efforts on behalf of the Kiwanis Club. As lieutenant governor of Kiwanis Division 25 of Rhode Island, he succeeded in his goal to "set a record for new members in Kiwanis in New England" by attracting more than 50 people to join the Seekonk club.

"I'm glad I'm retired so that I have the time to put into it," he said as the club was being organized.

Born in London, he was the son of the late Solomon and Lena Goldberg. He was a graduate of City College of New York.

He entered politics in the belief that "we need people in government who have had to make a profit, not just raise taxes." He was unsuccessful in two bids for a seat on the board of Selectmen.

He was founder of the Rhode Island Chapter of the National Association of Personnel Directors.

He leaves a sister, Anita Parr of Toronto, Canada.

The funeral was held April 3 in Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Old Montefiore Cemetery, Queens, N.Y.