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Claude Goldman, 71

PROVIDENCE – Claude Goldman died on November 3 at the Home and Hospice Care of RI Philip Hulitar Inpatient Center. He was the husband of Diane Goldman for the last 47 years. He was also the father of Andrew Goldman and his wife Debora of Stow, Mass., and Rachel Goldman of Austin, Texas. He was also survived by his sister, Sylvia Grecco of Kernersville, N.C. He was the son of the late Abraham and Odette (Neuman) Goldman, the stepson of the late Armin Goldstein and the brother of the late Lillian Goldman.

He faced the many challenges in his life with dignity and determination to do the best he could and achieve many goals. In spite of being legally blind all his life and without peripheral vision, he learned English and did very well in school when he immigrated to America from France at the age of 6.

He went achieved a Ph.D. in Physics from Penn State University and worked as a Senior Programmer Analyst at Brown University for 36 years, where he made significant contributions, helped many people and was well respected. For many years, he enjoyed hiking, camping, and bicycling in spite of his eyesight. Even when he had Parkinson's Disease in the last 7 years of his life, he remained as active, working until 3 years ago, participating in a Parkinson's support group, in several therapies, and traveling with his wife.

He was a founding member of the Summit Neighborhood Association and continued to be a member of its board until he was hospitalized in the middle of October. He was also a member of Temple Emanu-El and attended Temple services and functions.

Contributions may be made to The American Parkinson's Disease Association of RI, Temple Emanu-El, or Home and Hospice Care of RI, Philip Hulitar Inpatient Center.