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July 23, 1991. Residence 1139 Main Ave., Warwick. Beloved son of the late Samuel and Clara (Salluck) Greenberg. Dear brother of the late Harry Greenberg and Lillian Saklad. Loving uncle of Susan Miller of Miami, FL, Janet Fradin of Providence, and Michael Saklad of Paris, France. Funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the Sumner Marshall Saklad Book Fund, c/o Temple Beth El. Arrangements by the SUGARMAN MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 458 Hope St. (corner of Doyle Ave.). Michael D. Smith, Associate.

Clinton Green, 78, dies; was WWII correspondent

WARWICK — Clinton Green, 78, of 1139 Main Ave., a World War II war correspondent and member of the foreign service for more than 20 years, died Tuesday at the Greenwood House Nursing Home.

During his career as a journalist, Mr. Green was a reporter for several news organizations, including the New York Times. He covered several campaigns during World War II, including the first mass bombing of Japan by B-29s in 1944.

As a foreign service officer with the U.S. Information Agency, he served in Japan during the Allied occupation and also in London and Mexico City.

Mr. Green was born in Providence, a son of the late Samuel and Clara (Salluck) Greenberg. He had lived in East Greenwich before moving to Warwick four years ago.

A 1935 graduate of the former Rhode Island State College, now the University of Rhode Island, Mr. Green was editor of the student newspaper, the Beacon, and the yearbook, the Grist. He received his postgraduate degree from the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri.

After graduating from the University of Missouri, he worked for the Hyannis Standard Times, at that time owned by the New Bedford Standard Times. He later worked for the International News Service, now United Press International, serving in Hartford, Boston, New York, Detroit and Washington.

During World War II, Mr. Green was a war correspondent assigned to the headquarters of General Eisenhower in Algiers and reported on the fighting in North Africa. He later was assigned to the invasion of Sicily and was then transferred to the Pacific fleet headquarters of Admiral Nimitz at Pearl Harbor and covered the invasion of Saipan and Tinian. He then joined the New York Times in Honolulu, where he covered the Sept. 4, 1945, surrender aboard the Levy of the Japanese garrison that had been holding Wake Island after 517 Americans surrendered.

Mr. Green was one of the few correspondents who was assigned to cover the departure and return of the first B-29s, which took off from Saipan and bombed Japan on Nov. 24, 1944.

He was commended by then-Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal for his outstanding performance as a Navy correspondent and also was commended by the commanding general of the New York 27th Division for his coverage of the invasion of Saipan.

At the end of the war, Mr. Green was a correspondent for the Times in Tokyo at the headquarters of General Douglas MacArthur. He was later sent to London to head the Times Wideworld Photos office for four years.

He joined the foreign service when he was recruited by the U.S. Information Service, now the U.S. Information Agency, to head its information branch during the occupation of Japan. Four years later, he was assigned to the London Embassy as an information officer and served there for five years. He then returned to Washington to head the agency's publication division for three years.

As a member of the foreign service, Mr. Green also was the director of the regional service center in Mexico City, where he reproduced informational materials to be used by Information Agency posts throughout Central America.

Mr. Green leaves two nieces, Susan Miller of Miami, Fla., and Janet Fradin of Providence; and a nephew, Michael Saklad of Paris, France. He was the brother of the late Harry Greenberg and Lillian Saklad.

The funeral service will be private.