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HURVITZ, BENJAMIN

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Benjamin Hurvitz, 90

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. — Benjamin "Ben" Hurvitz, 90, died June 23 in Santa Cruz. Born in Providence, he was the only child of Harry and Ida (Gladstein) Hurvitz. He was married to the late Estelle Geffen, Margery Schlosser and Janice Hurvitz.



Leaving school in the eighth grade to go to work, he joined the U. S. Navy and served with the Seabees in the Pacific theater during World War II. After the war he returned to Rhode Island where he became a dealer in antiques for the next 50 years, successfully operating several stores.

A resident of Santa Cruz for the past 28 years, he volunteered in the "Foster Grandparents" program, and a swim program for disabled children. He was an active member of the California Grey Bears. A former Navy boxer and a powerful swimmer, he coached troubled youths in those sports in his younger years.

He stayed fit by swimming and walking, and enjoyed dancing. He was also a fan of the San Francisco Giants.

He belonged to the Temple Beth El Jewish Community.

He leaves two daughters, Chea and her husband, Myles Mangram, of Los Angeles and Roberta Barnett and her husband, Charles Sutton, of Santa Cruz; four grandchildren, Melissa, Tod, Kim and Trevor, three great-grandchildren, Daniel, Ezra and Sophie, and many other members of his extended family.