KABAT,
Dr. Herman

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DR. HERMAN KABAT, 83, of 20 Wilbur Hazard Rd., Saunderstown, who practiced medicine for many years in Providence, died Thursday at Rhode Island Hospital. He was the husband of Sarah (Lissitz) Kabat.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he was a son of the late Sam and Mary Kabat.

He was a noted physician in the field of physical medicine and rehabilitation, and was an expert in neuromuscular diseases.

He received his Ph.D. at Northwestern University and M.D. at the University of Minnesota. He was a professor in the physiological department at the University of Minnesota. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and held the rank of captain.

His initial practice was in the field of polio, mulitiple sclerosis and spinal cord injuries. During the late 1940s and 1950s, he developed a series of hospitals for rehabilitation that were called the Kabat-Kaiser Institutes in Washington, D.C. and California. In 1955, he relocated to Rhode Island where he was the state director of rehabilitation. In his later years, he specialized in treating lower back pain.

Besides his wife he leaves a son, David Kabat of Portland, Ore.; two daughters, Julie Kabat of Albany, N.Y., and Aleix VanZant of Seattle, Wash., and five grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held in Providence at a later date.