Gussie Kaplan; co-founder of Shoppers World

EAST PROVIDENCE — Gussie Kaplan, 92, of 1194 South Broadway, a co-founder of Warwick Shoppers World, died Wednesday at Waterview Villa. She was the widow of Morris Kaplan.

Born in New York City, a daughter of the late Pincus and Rebecca Zwetchkenbaum, she lived in East Providence for eight years, previously living in Providence for 25 years. She had lived in Taunton, Mass., before that.

In 1920, she co-founded the former Rhode Island New York Lace Store.

She was a member of Congregation Agudath Achim of Taunton. She was also a member of the women's associations of the Jewish Home for the Aged and Miriam Hospital and of Hadassah.

She leaves a daughter, Josephine Levye of East Providence, with whom she lived; a son, Sheldon Kaplan of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; a sister, Betty Makowski of Falmouth, Mass.; and eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A private service was held yesterday at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, Providence. Interment was in Mount Nebo Cemetery, Taunton.

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