KAPSTEIN, Gladys

OBITUARIES

Gladys C. Kapstein, 74; active in civic affairs

PROVIDENCE — Gladys C. Kapstein, 74, of Lloyd Avenue, died yesterday at home. She was the wife of Sherwin J. Kapstein, executive director of the National Education Association of Rhode Island from 1966 to 1982.



Born in New York City, a daughter of the late Joseph and Charlotte (Law) Chernack, she lived in Providence most of her life.

Mrs. Kapstein was a music teacher for many years in the Providence area. She was a 1940 magna cum laude graduate of the former Pembroke College, now Brown University.

She was a member of Temple Emanu-El and its sisterhood, the Urban League of Rhode Island, the East Side Neighborhood Council, the R.I. Branch of the NAACP, and the Providence Chapter of Hadassah.

She was also a member of Pioneer Women, the Brandeis Women's Association, the Miriam Hospital Women's Association, the Ladies Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged and the Friends of the Library of Brown University.

Mrs. Kapstein belonged to the R.I. and National Musical Educators and the Women's Intergroup Conference. She was president of the R.I. Alpha of Phi Beta Kappa at Brown University from 1985 to 1988. She was a co-founder of the Children's Concerts Committee of the R.I. Philharmonic Orchestra in 1952.

Mrs. Kapstein was a member of the Board of Editors of the *Brown Alumni Monthly*, the editorial board of the *Pembroke Alumni Magazine* and the board of the Alumni Association of Brown University. She was the first woman to serve as a member of the Brown University Athletic Advisory Council.

She was a former member of the R.I. Civic Chorale, and in 1959 was a co-organizer of the University of Rhode Island summer music camp for Rhode Island high school students. She was a member of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, serving as a board member since 1978.

Mrs. Kapstein served as chairwoman of the Jewish Family Service adoption committee since 1977. She was a board member of the Hebrew Free Loan Association of Providence since 1988, and a member of the Bureau of Jewish Education.

Besides her husband, survivors are two sons, Jeremy A. Kapstein of La Jolla, Calif., and Daniel J. Kapstein of Little Compton; a daughter, Deborah K. Bronitsky, of Newton, Mass., and seven grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow at 11 a.m. at Temple Emanu-El, 99 Taft Ave., Providence. Burial will be in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

KAPSTEIN, Gladys C. (Chernack)

June 22, 1993. Residence 320 Lloyd Ave., Providence, RI. Beloved wife of Sherwin J. Kapstein. Devoted mother of Jeremy A. Kapstein, married to Linda Ardell Kapstein, LaJolla, CA, Deborah R. Bronitsky, married to Leonard Bronitsky of Newton, MA and Daniel J. Kapstein, married to Linda Hanks Kapstein of Little Compton, RI. Loving grandmother of Molly K. Bronitsky and Max K. Bronitsky, Zachary W. Kapstein and Allison, Amy, Amanda and Holly Smith. Funeral Services Thursday, 11 a.m. at TEMPLE EMANU-EL, 99 Taft Ave., Providence, RI. In place of flowers contributions in her memory may be made to Brown University-Rhode Island School of Design Hillel, 80 Brown St., Providence, RI 02906. Shiva will be observed at her late residence Thursday 2-4 and 7-9, Friday 2-4 and Sunday through Tuesday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Minyan will be private. Arrangements by the MAX SUGARMAN MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 458 Hope St. (corner of Doyle Ave.).

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