KATZMAN, EVELYN

OBITUARIES

Evelyn Silverman Katzman, 105

PROVIDENCE – Evelyn Katzman died Jan. 29. The widow of Morris Leo Katzman, she was the daughter of U.S. Army Warrant Officer Meyer Silverman (ret.) and Sarah Bander Silverman, and the sister of Lt. Abner John Silverman, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, all of whom predeceased her.

She was a 1929 graduate of Oglethorpe College in Atlanta, Ga., with a Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism. After graduation, she was on the staff of the Southern Banker, an Atlanta trade publication. She was a freelance writer for Smith-Hammond textbook publishers and a copywriter in the advertising department of the J.M. High Department Store, both in Atlanta, and then worked for the Georgia Public Health Department.

In 1938, she moved to Providence where she ran radio programs aimed at women shoppers, first as "Suzanne" in "In the Woman's World" for the now-defunct Cherry & Webb women's specialty store and then, from 1941-1945 as "Dorothy Kent" on the radio shopping network run by the now-defunct Outlet Co. She was advertising manager of the now-defunct David Harley Department Store in Pawtucket from 1945-1948.

After her marriage, she worked with her husband in the advertising novelties business under the name of Plum Nelly Advertising Specialties Company. She was also the proprietor of the Plum-Nelly Gift Shop on the Providence-Pawtucket line.

She was born at Fort Hamilton in Brooklyn, N.Y., and lived much of her early years on U.S. Army posts throughout the South as well as in the former U.S. Canal Zone.

A member of Temple Beth-El, the Chopin Club, The Miriam Hospital Women's Association and the Jewish Home for the Aged, she was an American Cancer Society visitor for 27 years.

Active in Tockwotton and Fox Point neighborhood activities, she served as a class "auntie" at Fox Point Elementary School, holding monthly ice cream socials for pupils there. She represented Tockwotten residents at the groundbreaking ceremonies with Gov. Lincoln Chafee for the new waterfront facility on Providence Harbor.

She is survived by nieces, nephews and cousins.

Donations may be made to Tockwotton, 500 Waterfront Dr., East Providence, RI, Temple Am David, 40 Gardiner St., Warwick, RI 02888 or a charity of one's choice.