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Joseph Kestin, 79, professor of engineering at Brown, dies

PROVIDENCE — Joseph Kestin, 79, of Woodbury Street, a professor of engineering at Brown University, and former director of its Center for Energy Studies for 41 years, died yesterday at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Alicja (Drabienko) Kestin.

Born in Warsaw, Poland, a son of the late Paul and Leah (Ajzensztat) Kestin, he lived in Providence for 41 years. He previously lived in London, England.

Professor Kestin received a degree from the Technical University, Warsaw, a doctorate from the Imperial College, London, a doctorate in science from the University of London, a master's degree from Brown University, and a doctorate from the University Claude Bernard, Lyon, France.

He was a member of the National Academy of Engineering, a foreign member of the Polish Academy of Sciences, a fellow of the Imperial College of Science, Technology, and Medicine, London, and was recipient of the Water Arbitration Prize of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, London.

Professor Kestin held a number of posts in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, including membership of several professional boards and the chairmanship of the applied mechanics division.

He was imprisoned in a Russian labor camp during World War II. He was author of five books on thermodynamics, and translator of several books from German, including Schlichting's *Boundary-Layer Theory*, as well as one book from Russian.

Besides his wife he leaves daughter, Anita Kestin of Providence.

The funeral will be private.

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March 16, 1993. Residence 140 Woodbury St. Providence. Beloved husband of Alicja (Drabienko) Kestin. Devoted father of Anita S. Kestin. Funeral services will be private. Relatives and friends are invited to vist the family on Thursday 3-6 pm. at the MAX SUGARMAN MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 458 Hope St. (corner of Doyle Ave.). In lieu of flowers contributions in his memory may be made to the Dr. Joseph Kestin Memorial Fund care of Brown University.