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Harry Klitzner

Emblematic Jewelry Firm Founder Dies in Hospital

Harry Klitzner of 116 Upton Ave., founder of Klitzner Industries, manufacturers of emblematic jewelry, died yesterday at Miriam Hospital after a year's illness. He was 78.

Born in New York City, Dec. 15, 1890, a son of the late Wolf and Mary (Lipschitz) Klitzner, he came with his parents to 57 Bernon St., Providence, as a child.

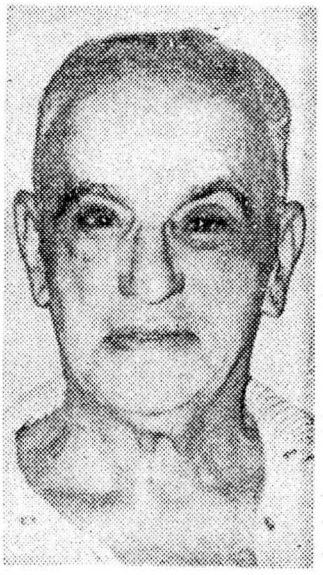
Mr. Klitzner, who left the old Candace Street grammar school after the sixth grade, started his business as the Harry Klitzner Co. in back of his mother's candy store on Bernon Street at the age of 17.

The firm now employs 200 persons in a plant at 44 Warren St. Mr. Klitzner was chairman of the board until illness forced him to retire last year.

Mr. Klitzner was a board member of Temple Beth Israel, and active in the Providence Lodge of Elks, the Jewish Home for the Aged, the YMCA of Providence and Miami Beach, and the United Commercial Travelers.

An enthusiastic fisherman, he was a member of the Narragansett Salt Water Fishing Club and the Rhode Island Fish and Game Association.

The husband of the late Fannie (Pockar) Klitzner, he is survived by two sons, Robert of Cranston and William Klitzner of Lincoln; two daughters, Mrs. John Ross of Cranston and Mrs. Irving Dember of Providence; a sister, Miss Lillian Klitzner of Providence; a brother, Abraham Klitzner of Phenix, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



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Funeral services will be held today at 1 p.m. at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., with burial in Lincoln Park Memorial Cemetery, Warwick.

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