KORTICK, BERNARD

Bernard H. Kortick, 94

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. – Bernard H. Kortick died Sept. 19. Born in Providence Feb. 14, 1919, he was the son of the late Bertha (Gordon) and Max Kortick. Rose Kortick, his wife of 36 years, and Anthony Kortick, his son, predeceased him. He is survived by Constance Kortick, his wife of 28 years, Susan Kortick, his daughter, and his stepsons Jeffrey and Steven Sommerfeld. He was the oldest of six siblings, who all predeceased him: Leonard R. Kortick, Josephine Gold, Douglas M. Kortick, Jacqueline G. Gregerman and Albert M. Kortick. He is also survived by his many nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews, and great great nieces and great great nephews.

He worked at Coro Jewelry in Providence before serving in the Navy in WWII, where he was stationed in Brazil. After the war, he moved to California where he earned a degree in Radio Production and Broadcasting from the Don Martin School of Radio Arts & Sciences in Hollywood. He spent several years in radio, attended UCLA to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Theatre Arts followed by earning his Master's Degree in Education at USC, which enabled him to embark on his career as a high school teacher.



He taught Literature and Journalism at Westchester High School for almost 30 years. In retirement, he read to children in the Palm Springs school system.

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