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AARON KURN

KURN, Aaron

PROVIDENCE — Aaron Kurn, 85, of 625 N. Van Buren, Tucson, Ariz., formerly of Springfield, Mass., owner of the former Springfield Paper Stock Co. for many years before retiring in 1972, died May 22 at the Tucson Medical Center. He was the husband of Geraldine (Deitsch) Kurn.

Born in Springfield, a son of the late Isaac and Ida (Barowsky) Kurnitsky, he lived in Springfield until 1972, when he moved to Israel for nine years. He returned to Springfield and moved to Tucson in 1986.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, and served as a captain in the Army Corps of Engineers. He attended Brown University. He was a past president of Kodimoh Synagogue, Springfield, and was chairman of its cemetery committee. He was one of the founders and a past president of Heritage Academy, Longmeadow, Mass. In Israel, he served as a civilian guard during the 1973 war, and continued through 1981.

Besides his wife he leaves two sons, Seth Kurn of Providence, and Paul Kurn of Louisville, Ky.; a daughter, Ellen Kaplan of Edgartown, Mass.; a sister, Edyth Swirsky of Tucson, and four grandchildren. He was brother of the late Maurice and Samuel Kurn.

A graveside service was held May 25 at the Kodimoh Cemetery, West Springfield, Mass.