GERTRUDE H. MAKOWSKY, 66, of Boca Raton, Fla., died yesterday at home. She was the widow of Malcolm Makowsky.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Max and Celia (Dreyer) Temkin, she lived in Boca Raton since 1988. She had also lived in Barrington.

Mrs. Makowsky was a volunteer receptionist and switchboard operator for the American Red Cross in Providence, and a receptionist and switchboard operator for International Trading Co. in Boca Raton for the past four years.

She was diagnosed with multiple scherosis 28 years ago, and was a quadriplegic confined to a wheelchair, and only had use of her head and neck. She was active in many organizations and committees for physically challenged people, and a member of the Rhode Island and South Florida American Multiple Sclerosis Society. She was a member of the Rhode Island Independent Living and Tapin Organization, and was the first chairman for the City of Boca Raton Mayor's Committee for the Handicapped. She was a pivital planner for the First Annual Handicap Awareness Day in Boca Raton, a Literacy Volunteer, and a volunteer peer counselor for the physically challenged. She was an advocate, proponent and instrumental in the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act. She was involved in 20 organizations concerned with the construction, planning and renovation of buildings to insure adequate assessiblity for the physcially challenged.

She leaves four sons, Max Temkin Makowsky of Boca Raton, Richard I. Makowsky of Lido Beach, N.Y., Steven I. Makowsky of Merrick, N.Y., and Bruce A. Makowsky of Bayside, N.Y.; a brother, David Temkin of Providence; a sister, Bernice Freed of North Providence, and three grandchildren. She was the sister of the late Leon Temkin.

The funeral will be held tomorrow at noon at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Avenue. Burial will be in Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick.

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April 23, 1995. Residence: Boca Raton, Fla. Beloved wife of the late Malcolm Makowsky. Devoted mother of Max Temkin Makowsky of Boca Raton; Richard I. Makowsky of Lido Beach, N.Y.; Steven I. Makowsky of Merrick, N.Y.; and Bruce A. Makowsky of Bayside, N.Y. Dear sister of David Temkin of Providence; Bernice Freed of North Providence; and the late Leon Temkin. Loving grandmother of Seth, Colby and Michael Makowsky. Funeral services Wednesday 12 noon at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Ave. at Sessions St. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice by the Sea, 1531 West Palmetto Park Rd., Boca Raton, Fla., 33486, or to any charity dealing with the physically challenged. Shiva will be observed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shepard Freed, 96-E Nipmuc Trail (Louisquisset Condominiums), North Providence, Wednesday 3-10 p.m. Arrangements by MAX SUGARMAN MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 458 Hope St. (corner of Doyle Ave.).