Dr. Joseph Mendell

NEWPORT — Dr. Joseph Mendell, 80, of 400 Bellevue Ave., a dentist, died at Newport Hospital yesterday after a six-month illness. He was the husband of Elizabeth (Altman) Mendell.

Born in Russia, a son of the late Samuel and Toby Mendell, he came to this country in 1912, and lived in Bayonne, N.J. He formerly lived in Fall River.

Dr. Mendell entered Georgetown University where he received his undergraduate and dental degrees. He was a member of the Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity, and interned at the Forsyth Dental Infirmary, Boston.

He came to Fall River in 1935, practicing dentistry on South Main Street until retiring in 1982. He then moved to Newport.

Dr. Mendell was a member of the Watuppa Lodge of Masons. He was a former member of the Kiwanis Club. He was a member of B'nai B'rith and Touro Synagogue.

Besides his wife he leaves two sisters, Frances Goodman of Long Island, N.Y., and Lillian Wolf of Bayonne; a brother, Sol Mendell of Mount Holly, N.J.; a son, Michael S. Mendell; a daughter, Karen M. Dannin, both of Middletown, and five grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. at Hoffman Memorial Chapel, Fowler Street. Burial will be in Beth Olam Cemetery, Middletown.

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