Barrington

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WALTER OPENHEIM, 72, of 11 Henry Drive, former owner and president of the jewelry firm of A.M. Schaler in Cranston for many years before retiring three years ago, died yesterday at the Jane Brown Building of Rhode Island Hospital. He was the husband of Ruth (Heimann) Openheim.

Born in Germany, a son of the late William and Betty (Weissmann) Openheim, he lived in New York for many years before moving to Barrington in 1972.

Mr. Openheim attended Pratt Institute in New York. He was a past president of the Providence Jewelers Club. He was elected to the Hall of Fame of the Manufacturing Jewelers & Silversmiths of America in 1993. He was a Rhode Island committee member of the Manufacturing Jewelers & Silversmiths of America.

He was a past president of Temple Habonim. He was a board member of the Jewish Family Service, and a director of Blue Card, a social welfare organization to benefit Holocaust survivors in New York. He was a first vice president of the International Institute in Providence. He was a member of the YMCA.

Besides his wife he leaves a son, Jeffrey W. Openheim of Falmouth, Mass.; a daughter, Claudia Openheim-Cameron of Baltimore, Md.; a brother, Henry Openheim of Northampton, Mass., and four grandchildren.

The funeral will be held today at 9:30 a.m. at Temple Habonim, New Meadow Road. Burial will be in Kensico Cemetery-Sharon Gardens, Valhalla, N.Y.

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October 29, 1995. Residence: 11 Henry Drive, Barrington. Beloved husband of Ruth (Heimann) Openheim. Devoted father of Jeffrey W. Openheim of Falmouth, MA and Claudia Openheim-Cameron of Baltimore, MD. Dear brother of Dr. Henry Openheim of Northampton, MA. Loving grandfather of Danielle and Nicole Cameron, Jay and Caryn Openheim. Funeral Services Monday at 9:30 a.m. at Temple Habonim, 165 New Meadow Road, Barrington. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to International Institute, 645 Elmwood Avenue, Providence; Jewish Family Service, 229 Waterman Street, Providence or Temple Habonim. Shiva will be observed at his late residence Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 7-9 p.m. Arrangments by MAX SUGARMAN MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 458 Hope Street (Corner of Doyle Avenue).