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OBITUARIES

Ida Pearlman, 91, co-founder in 1920 Sterling Shoe Co.

PROVIDENCE — Ida E. Pearlman, 91, co-founder with her husband of one of the oldest shoe stores in Rhode Island, a resident of the Jewish Home for the Aged, died today at Miriam Hospital. She was the widow of Israel P. Pearlman.

Born in Russia, she was a daughter of the late Morris and Anna Mines. She had lived in Providence for 70 years and also had lived in in Fall River, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearlman founded the Sterling Shoe Co., now located on Westminster Mall in Providence, in 1920. It is believed to be the oldest retail shoe store in Rhode Island. Mrs. Pearlman remained active in the business until several days ago.

She was a 1920 graduate of the University of Michigan and was a Phi Beta Kappa.

In 1980 she received he Heritage Award from the New England Friends of Yeshiva University for her years of leadership and dedicated community service.

Mrs. Pearlman was a major supporter of the Providence Hebrew Day School. She was a member of Temple Emanu-El and the Congregation Sons of Jacob.

She leaves five daughters, Alice Mandell, Lila Delman and Adele Curhan, all of Narragansett, Anna Shabshelowitz of Fall River and Carolyn Milijasovic of Sherman Oaks, Calif.; five sons, Marcus J., Leonard D. and Alan H. Pearlman, all of Cranston, Ben Pearlman of Barnstable, Mass., and Thomas W. Pearlman of Providence; a sister, Lillian Goldstein of Fall River; 43 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. She was the mother of the late Elaine Baron, who died a month and a half ago.

The funeral service will be tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial will be in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

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