Morris Percelay; founder of Novitex Inc.

PROVIDENCE — Morris Percelay, 63, of 60 Broadway, formerly of Pawtucket, founder and president of Novitex Inc., Pawtucket, a textile and yarn company he operated for many years before becoming inactive a year ago due to illness, died yesterday at the Hattie Ide Chaffee Home, East Providence. He was the husband of Seena (Donchey) Percelay.

Born in Fall River, Mass., a son of the late Jacob and Frances (Rubinstein) Percelay, he had lived in Pawtucket most of his life before moving to Providence three years ago.

He was a 1945 graduate of Brown University and attended New York University Dental School. During World War II he served in the Army Medical Corps and attended St. Louis University during that time.

Mr. Percelay was a founding member of Palmer River Riding Club of Rehoboth, Mass. He was a well-known professional weaver and craftsman. He was a member of Temple Emanu-El.

Besides his wife he leaves three daughters, Elizabeth Van Dusen of Pittsburgh, Pa., Jane Gordon and Emily Percelay, both of Providence; two sisters, Marion Pranikoff of Providence and Territa Percelay of New York City; a brother, Merrill Percelay of Pawtucket; and a grandson.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow at 1 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Avenue at Sessions Street. Burial will be in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

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