PERLMAN, IVAN

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Ivan E. Perlman, 89

WARWICK, R.I. – Cantor Dr. Ivan E. Perlman died Feb. 25 at Tamarisk. He was the beloved husband of Muriel (Herman) Perlman for 67 years. Born in Flushing, N.Y., a son of the late Henry and Katherine (Glantz) Perlman, he had lived in Providence and Boca Raton, Fla., before moving to Warwick eight years ago.

He was a WWII Marine veteran, serving overseas, where he got a Bronze Star for Heroism on Iwo Jima. He was a cantor, serving throughout the years at Hebrew Center in Lyndhurst, N.J., Fairlawn Jewish Center, N.J., B'nai Emunah, Tulsa, Okla., Tifereth Israel, Des Moines, Iowa, and Temple Emanu-El in Providence, where he served for 23 years and was Cantor Emeritus. After his retirement, he was the cantor at Beth Kodesh in Boynton Beach, Fla. He was a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary, School of Jewish Studies, class of 1950. He was also an honorary Fellow of Cantors Institute and an honorary Doctor of Music. He was a founder of Friends of R.I. School for the Deaf and a life member of the Jewish War Veterans, where he was the first National Cantor and a Post Commander of several posts. He was a mohel, who ritually circumcised more than 2,000 Jewish boys throughout the world.

Devoted father of Rabbi Eli Perlman and his wife Lynne of East Brunswick, N.J., Cantor Emanuel Perlman and his wife Janice of Baltimore, Md., Rabbi Richard Perlman and his wife Kit of Coventry and Cantor Josh Perlman and his wife Sherri of Germantown, Md. Dear brother of Annette Ziegelstein of Baltimore, Md. Loving grandfather of 13. Cherished great-grandfather of seven.

Contributions in his memory may be made to Congregation Am David or Jewish War Veterans Post 23, c/o Carol Rotkin, 103 Trellis Dr., West Warwick, R.I. 02893 and your favorite charity.