RAKATANSKY, MURIEL

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RAKATANSKY, MURIEL (HALPRIN), 91, of Providence, died May 2, 2009. She was the wife of Harold Rakatansky.

Born in New Bedford, she was a daughter of the late Albert and Bessie (Shapiro) Halprin.

Mrs. Rakatansky was a prominent concert violinist and teacher of violin. She was a member of Temple Beth El and its Women's Association, and the Miriam Hospital Women's Association. She was a former member of the Chopin Club, the Chaminad Club and the Bridge Club of RI.

Besides her husband, she is survived by her daughter, Fredda Sharfstein and her husband Jeffrey of Pawtucket; her grandchild, Jennifer Carter and her husband Richard of CT; and her great-grandchildren, Ellie and Andrew. She was the sister of the late Orcha, David and Meyer Halprin, Jenny Zitserman, Nancy Golden, Evelyn Stern, Liebe Bikofsky, Fanny Lemchen, Minnie Horvitz and Leia Feital.

A graveside service will be held Monday, May 4th, at 3:00 PM in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the charity of your choice. Shiva will be observed at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Sharfstein on Monday 4-8 PM. Arrangements by SUGARMAN-SINAI MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

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