Herman H. Rose

Herman Hillson Rose, age 93, passed away on January 31 at Tockwotton on the Waterfront.

Born in Boston, he was the son of the late Arthur Rose and Ethel Hillson.

As a younger man, Mr. Rose was a land surveyor for the Army in Panama and was a skilled chess and bridge player. He trained as a civil engineer who began his working life designing roads and bridges throughout Rhode Island. He later worked for the state on community development for many years. Herman was deeply attached to his adopted Rhode Island home and supported many charitable ventures around the state, such as the annual Touro Synagogue essay contest, for programs at URI, local libraries, and major bequests through the Rhode Island Foundation. Exemplary of his generosity was his birthday "bookout," when instead of receiving gifts, he would buy all the children in his circle (and any other kids who wandered by) a book of their choice at the Brown bookstore. He was named Rhode Island's Philanthropist of the Year in 1995. He was a long-time congregant of Temple Emanu-El in Providence.

He is survived by his nephew, Larry Linsey and Larry's wife Maggie Furlong of Brooklyn, NY; one great niece Moya Linsey; two great nephews, Evan and Ryan Linsey; cousins, Bob and Michael Rose many close friends, and his incredible caregivers at Monteiro Healthcare and Tockwotton. He was the brother of the late Miriam Linsey and uncle of the late Steven Linsey, and Pat Ma, mother of Evan and Ryan..

His funeral will be held Monday, February 2, 2026 at 10:00 am in Sugarman-Sinai Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope Street, Providence. Burial will be private.For condolences: www.sugarmansinai.com

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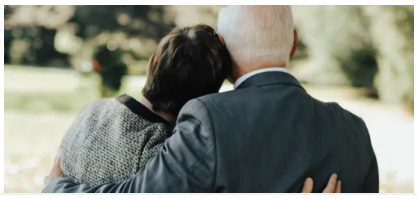


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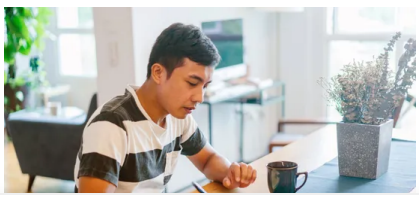
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