B.F. Ruttenberg; ex-official of City Hall Hardware Co.

PROVIDENCE — Benjamin F. Ruttenberg, 86, of 395 Angell St., an executive for the former City Hall Hardware Co. for 35 years before retiring in 1965, died yesterday at the Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave. He was the husband of the late Hilda (Siegal) Ruttenberg.



Born in Reading, Pa., a son of the late Max and Hannah Ruttenberg, he lived in Providence since 1930.

Mr. Ruttenberg was an Army veteran of World War I. He was a daily volunteer at Miriam Hospital for three years, and a former trustee and honorary life trustee of the hospital. He was a former board member of the Jewish Home for the Aged, a member of the executive committee of the Rhode Island Israeli Bonds, and a member of Ledgemont Country Club.

He was an honorary life trustee, and a former vice president of Temple Beth-El, a member of its Brotherhood, and a founder of the Minyan Club. He was a member of the board of directors of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island for 35 years, a trade division chairman, and an honorary director since 1982.

Mr. Ruttenberg leaves two sons, Bruce R. Ruttenberg of Providence and Jeffrey Ruttenberg of Pittsburgh, Pa.; six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow at 1 p.m. at Temple Beth-El, Orchard Avenue. Burial will be in Sons of Israel and David Cemetery.