SCHECHTER, ESTHER

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ESTHER EDITH SCHECHTER, 99, of Summit and Pavilion, 1085 North Main St., Providence, formerly of Pawtucket, a retired clothing store co-owner, died yesterday at Summit.

She was the wife of the late Samuel Schechter. Born in Cambridge, Mass., a daughter of the late Jacob and Freida (Leibowitz) Edelstein, she had lived in Pawtucket for 67 years before moving to Providence 3 years ago.

Mrs. Schechter had been a co-owner of the former Schechter Clothing Store, Broad Street, Pawtucket, for 50 years, retiring in 1979.

She was a graduate of Lesley College, Cambridge, Class of 1922.

She was a member of Hadassah, B'nai B'rith, and the Temple Emanu-El Leisure Club.

She leaves a daughter, Joan Backner of Pawtucket; and three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was the sister of the late Abraham and Bessie Edelstein, Lillian Oster, Bella Hefron, Sadie Abrams and Jean Andelman.

A graveside service will be held tomorrow at noon in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

SCHECHTER, Esther E. (Edelstein)

March 16, 2003. Residence, Summit & Pavilion, Providence. Formerly of Pawtucket. Beloved wife of the late Samuel Schechter. Devoted mother of Joan Backner of Pawtucket. Loving grandmother of Jonathan, Jill and James. Cherished great grandmother of Hillary, Rachel, Jared, Jenna and Corey. Graveside Service Tuesday Noon in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Post Road, Warwick. In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to your favorite charity. Shiva will be observed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Backner, 86 Blodget Ave., Pawtucket, Tuesday 7-9 PM. Arrangements by SHALOM MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 1100 New London Ave., Cranston