SHAW, DR. LEW

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LEW SHAW, 80, of 1141 1/2 Hartford Ave., an inventor, died Dec. 2 at the Philip Hulitar Hospice Center, Providence.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Morris and Sylvia (Schneidman) Shwartz, he had lived in New York City for several years before returning to Rhode Island.

He received a bachelor's degree from Brown University in 1941 and a doctorate from John Jay College of Criminal Justice at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Urban & Environmental Studies in 1975.

Before moving to New York, he sold radio advertising for WEAN Radio — the station of The Providence Journal Bulletin. He was president of Shaw Systems Co., doing research and development of automated fingerprint identification systems.

Mr. Shaw was an aerial photographer and served as a 1st lieutenant in the U.S. Army from 1943-1946.

He enjoyed theater and was an actor and member of The Players at the Barker Playhouse. He was a member of Actors Equity in New York, and of Mensa. He was very fond of animals and a great lover of dogs.

He leaves a sister, Beverly Fleisig of Delray Beach, Fla.

The funeral service will be held today at 1 p.m. from Sugarman-Sinai Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial will be private.

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December 2, 2000. Residence: 1141½ Hartford Ave., Johnston. Loving brother of Beverly Fleisig, Delray Beach, Fla. Funeral service 1:00 p.m. Tuesday at SUGARMAN-SINAI MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 458 Hope St. (corner Doyle Ave.), Providence. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Providence Animal Rescue League, 34 Elbow St., Providence, R.I., 02903. Shiva to be private.