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Joseph Shorr, 95

WOODLAND HILLS, Calif. – Joseph Shorr, honorary president of Congregation B'nai Israel and the former circulation manager of *The Woonsocket Call* died at home in Woodland Hills, Calif., on Jan. 21.



He is survived by his wife, Frances; his son, Irwin J. Shorr, of Olney, Md.; his granddaughter, Dr. Sloane Sevran, of Calabasas, Calif.; his two great-grandchildren, Bryce and Hunter; his daughter, Ellen Sevran, of Woodland Hills, Calif., with whom he lived, and his brother Sanford Shorr, of Meriden, Conn.

Born in Woonsocket on March 4, 1915, he was the son of Isaac and Rachel Shorr. He attended Woonsocket schools and received his bachelor's degree in 1939 from Northeastern University. He wrote his thesis on "Magazine Circulation from the Independent Wholesaler's Point of View" and later worked for The Woonsocket News Co., where he started his career in charge of the magazine department and then became the manager.

He was married August 26, 1944 to the former Frances Blankstein, also of Woonsocket. They celebrated their 66th anniversary last August.

In 1964, upon the death of his brother Morris, he took over The Woonsocket Call's circulation department. In 1974, he was elected president of the New England Asso-