SINEL, Edith

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EDITH SINEL, 92, of 292 Hillside Ave., a former businesswoman, died Tuesday at Memorial Hospital of Rhode Island.

She was the wife of the late Abe Sinel. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., a daughter of the late Hyman and Yetta (Singer) Berger, she had moved to Pawtucket as a young girl.

After the death of her husband, in 1960, she ran his business, Berger & Co., a waste and scrap-metal company. She was one of the few women to successfully operate a scrap-metal business at that time.

She was a 1928 graduate of Pawtucket High School, and a 1932 graduate of Pembroke College, now Brown University. After graduating, she and her sister Ruth ran Beta Products, a pharmaceutical company.

She was a bookkeeper for Narragansett Race Track when it opened, and had worked at the Strand Theater in Providence.

She was a member of Pawtucket Hadassah, Workman's Circle, Temple Beth-El and its Sisterhood, the Pawtucket Demolay Mother's Club and the Brown Alumni Association, and was the class agent for Pembroke College, Class of 1932.

She enjoyed literature and was a member of the Ladies Book Club for more than 40 years.

She leaves two sons, Charles Sinel of Pawtucket and Samuel Sinel of East Greenwich; two sisters, Sylvia Snyder and Ruth Ross, both of Pawtucket; and five grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held today at 11 a.m. in Sugarman-Sinai Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial will be in Swan Point Cemetery, Providence.

SINEL, Edith (Berger)

February 26, 2002. Residence: 292 Hillside Ave., Pawtucket. Beloved wife of the late Abe Sinel. Devoted mother of Charles Sinel, Pawtucket, and Samuel Sinel, East Greenwich. Loving sister of Sylvia Snyder, Providence, and Ruth Ross, Providence. Adored grandmother of 6. Funeral services Thursday at 11 a.m. at SUGARMAN-SINAI MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 458 Hope St., Providence, RI. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to American Heart Association, 275 Westminster St., Providence, RI 02903. Shiva will observed at her late residence Thursday, 7-9; Friday 2-4; Saturday, 7-9; and Sunday, 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

Edith Sinel, entrepeneur, war worker, book lover

PAWTUCKET — Edith Sinel, 92, of 292 Hillside Ave., a lover of literature who at various times ran a scrap metal business, operated a pharmaceutical company and worked in a World War II shipyard, died Feb. 26 at Memorial Hospital, Pawtucket. She was the wife of the late Abe Sinel.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., a daughter of the late Hyman and Yetta (Singer) Berger, she moved to Pawtucket as a girl and lived there for the rest of her life.

After the death of her husband in 1960, she ran his business, Berger & Company of Pawtucket, a waste and scrap metal company.

After she graduated from college, she and her sister, Ruth, operated Beta Products, a pharmaceutical company.

During World War II, she worked at the shipyard in Providence.

She was a bookkeeper for Narragansett Race Track when it opened, and later worked for the Strand Theater in Providence.

She loved literature and was a member of a women's book club that met monthly for more than 40 years to discuss books.

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