SOFORENKO, William

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Middletown

WILLIAM D. SOFORENKO, 72, of Linden Street, a retired teacher and principal, died yesterday at Newport Hospital. He was the husband of Dora (Mills) Soforenko; they were married 43 years.

Born in New Bedford, a son of the late Herbert and Matilda Soforenko, he lived in Middletown for 40 years.

He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Soforenko attended Florida Southern College, and received a master's degree in education from Bridgewater (Mass.) State College.

He was principal of the Building 44 and Forest Avenue schools during the mid-1970s, and was a math teacher at the middle- and high-school level for more than 30 years. He retired in 1990.

Mr. Soforenko was an active member of Temple Shalom, and president of the Men's Club. He was a past president of B'nai B'rith, Judah Touro Unit 5445.

Besides his wife, he leaves two daughters, Leslie Soforenko McMillan of Laurel, Md., and Sheri Ginden of West Hartford; two sons, David Soforenko of Cumberland and Tracy Soforenko of Arlington, Va.; and six grandchildren.

The funeral will be held today at 1 p.m. in Temple Shalom, 220 Valley Rd. Burial will be in Beth Olam Cemetery.

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