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SYMONDS, Louis

LOUIS J. I. SYMONDS

Funeral services for Louis J. I. Symonds, 62, of 195 Arlington Avenue, prominent New England textile man who died suddenly on Monday, were held Tuesday at Temple Beth El. Burial was in the Congregation Sons of Israel and David Cemetery.

In the congregation were members of the board of trustees of the Temple and delegations from Nantascot Lodge of Masons of Hull, Mass., and Redwood Lodge of that order from Providence.

Active bearers were Louis B. Ogetti, Nathan Dewares, Oscar Leventhal, Dr. Budner Lewis, Alan Ravenal, Archie Smith, Lewis Sovel, J. Jerome Stern, Harry Vengeros and Ben Zacks.

Honorary bearers were Louis Chace, Harry Golden, Sol Goldkrand, Arthur Levison, Murray Musler, Bart Romano, Alexander Slater, Al Taber, and Louis Weglein 3rd.

At the time of his death Mr. Symonds was vice-president of the Providence Pile Fabric Corp. with plants in Pawtucket and Woonsocket; first vice-president of the Puritan Fabric Company of Fisherville, Mass., and first vice-president of the Quincy Dye Works of Woonsocket. Previously he had been associated with the Blackstone Plush Mills in Worcester, returning to Rhode Island 15 years ago. A musical record collector and active in community orchestras Mr. Symonds headed a musical family. His wife is active in the Chopin Club; a daughter Nancy is an opera singer; one son, Bernard Symonds is an accomplished pianist.

Mr. Symonds was born in Boston in 1896, son of Sophie and Joseph Symonds. He attended Boston public schools and Pittsburgh University. Mr. Symonds was a member of the board of trustees of the Congregation Sons of Israel and David. He was active in the Providence Hebrew Day School, a 32nd degree Mason, a member of Nantascot Lodge of Hull, Mass., and of the Masonic Redwood Lodge of Providence.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Agnes K. Symonds; two daughters, Susan M. Symonds of Providence, and Mrs. Nancy S. Chase of Woodmere, L. I., N. Y.; two sons, Alan E. Symonds of New Rochelle, N. Y. and Bernard J. Symonds of Providence; two sisters, Mrs. Frieda Rothman and Mrs. Rose Narr of California.