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THALER, JOSEPH

Joseph Thaler

Board chairman of John Pilling Shoe Co.; was active in Jewish organizations

PAWTUCKET — Joseph Thaler, 62, of 10 Dryden Ave., an executive of a shoe firm, died yesterday at Miriam Hospital, Providence, after a 18-month illness. He was the husband of Beatrice (Feldstein) Thaler.

He was chairman of the board of the John Pilling Shoe Co., the former operator of the Atlantic Mills "Thrift Center" shoe stores and the Thaler Gallery of Shoes from 1955 to 1979.

He was the former vice president and honorary trustee of Temple Emanu-El; a life trustee of Miriam Hospital; a vice president of the Jewish Home for the Aged and a member of the board of directors of Camp Jori.

Mr. Thaler was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Rhode Island Jewish Federation and former chairman of the Bonds of Israel. he was a life member of the "210 Associates" the National Shoe Association and a member of Redwood Lodge 35 A F &A M.

Born in Jersey City, N.J., July 22, 1917, he was a son of the late Max and Cecelia (Thaler) Thaler and lived in Pawtucket for 25 years. Previously he lived in Providence.

Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, Michael L. Thaler of Cranston and Robert J. Thaler of Toronto, and two grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held today at noon at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Avenue at Session Street, Providence. Burial will be in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.