TORGAN, SOFIA

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TORGAN, Sofia (Brandel)

August 19, 2004. Beloved wife of Dr. Philip Torgan. Residence: 22 Wingate Road, Providence. Dear mother of David Torgan, Barrington; John Torgan, Providence; and Emily Torgan-Shalansky, Brookline, MA. Adored grandmother of four granddaughters. Loving sister of Sylvia Schoenbaum, Brookline, MA and the late Maurice Brandel. Funeral Service 1:00 P.M. Friday at Temple Beth El, Providence. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Miriam Hospital or Home and Hospice Care of RI, 169 George Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860. Shiva will be observed at her late residence Saturday 7-9 and Sunday 2-4 and 7-9 P.M. The family was assisted with the arrangements by SUGARMAN-SINAI MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

SOFIA (BRANDEL) TORGAN, 69, of Wingate Road, a former social worker and federal court interpreter, died yesterday at Epoch on Blackstone Boulevard.

She was the wife of Dr. Philip Torgan. They had been married for 48 years. Born on San Pedro Sula, Honduras, she was a daughter of the late Jose and Ana (Goldstein) Brandel.

Mrs. Torgan was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Pembroke College, now Brown University. She earned a master's degree in social work from Simmons College.

She was a member of Temple Beth-El and served on the board of Jewish Family Service. She was an officer in the Miriam Hospital Women's Association.

She was known for her wit and generosity, and was a talented cook, hostess, and an avid bridge player.

Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, David Torgan of Barrington and John Torgan of Providence; a daughter, Emily Torgan-Shalansky of Brookline, Mass.; and four granddaughters. She was the sister of the late Maurice Brandel.

The funeral service will be held today at 1 p.m. in Temple Beth-El, 70 Orchard Ave. Burial will be in Temple Beth-El Cemetery.

Survivors of **SOFIA (BRANDEL) TORGAN,** 69, of Wingate Road, Providence, who died Thursday at Epoch on Blackstone Boulevard, Providence, include a sister, Sylvia Schoenbaum of Brookline, Mass.