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Edmund Wexler; lawyer, former councilman, 75

PAWTUCKET — Edmund Wexler, 75, of 134 Ridge St., a former Providence lawyer and councilman, died yesterday at home.



Born in Providence, he was a son of the late William and Rose (Prague) Wexler and lived in the city most of his life. He moved to Pawtucket two years ago.

He was honored recently by the Rhode Island Bar Association for having completed 50 years of practice as a lawyer.

He was graduated from Brown University, class of 1927, and Harvard Law School, class of 1930. He was admitted to the bar in Rhode Island and Massachusetts and practiced in Providence until his retirement last year.

Mr. Wexler, a Democratic, was a councilman from Providence's 11th Ward from 1939 until 1969.

Serving during the terms of Mayors Dennis J. Roberts, Walter H. Reynolds and Joseph A. Doorley Jr., he was chairman of the council's ordinance committee and was majority floor leader.

An Army veteran of World War II, he was a member of the Elmwood Post, American Legion, and the Jewish War Veterans Post 23. He was a member of the 11th Ward Democratic Committee, the Democratic State Central Committee and attended several national Democratic conventions as a delegate or alternate.

He was active as an officer, board member or member of the South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association, Order of Hebraic Comradship, the Jewish Community Center, the Jewish Family and Children's Service, the Jewish Home For the Aged, the Miriam Hospital, where he was honorary secretary for life, the United Moes Chitim Association of Greater Providence, where he was honorary president for life, and the Providence Fraternal Association.

He leaves a sister, Mrs. Edith Eisenberg of Pawtucket.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. at Mount Siani Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial will be in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

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