Obituaries

Dr. Hayvis Woolf

Director of Manpower Department in Cranston, optometrist, Army officer

CRANSTON — Dr. Hayvis Woolf, 64, of 11 Glenwood Ave., director of the city Manpower Department, and a former city welfare director, died Wednesday in Rhode Island Hospital. He was the husband of Lillian E. (Wexler) Woolf.



Born in Providence, a son of the late Morris and Mary (Goldfried) Woolf, he had lived in Cranston 32 years.

Dr. Woolf, a 1939 graduate of the New England College of Optometry, was a staff optometrist at the Veterans Administration Medical Center and the Rhode Island Medical Center from 1950 to 1972. He was president of the Rhode Island Optometric Association in 1964-65.

An Army veteran, he served in the office of the Army Surgeon General. He retired in 1976 as a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve after 28 years of service.

He was regional president of the Blinded Veterans Association of Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts, and formerly was state Department Commander of the Jewish War Veterans.

He was a member of the board of directors of the Rhode Island Federation of the Blind and of Temple Beth Torah, Cranston.

He was the founder and director of the Rhode Island Radio Reading Service for the Blind.

He was past state commander of the Knights of Pythias, a member of the Orpheus Lodge of Masons, and was a 32nd degree mason.

Besides his wife, he leaves two daughters, Mrs. Marcia Hicks of Watertown, Mass., Miss Meryl P. Woolf of Providence, and a brother, Benjamin Woolf of Cranston.

A funeral service was scheduled at noon today in Temple Beth Torah, 330 Park Ave. Burial will be in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

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