

LAWRENCE — Aug. 20, Antonio Lawrence, 84, husband of the late Frances (Paiva) Lawrence of 679 Hathaway Road, and father of George, Denis, Antone Jr., Philip and Maguel. Private funeral services were held today.

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NEW BEDFORD — Private funeral services were held this morning for Antonio Lawrence, 84, of 679 Hathaway Road, who died Saturday after a brief illness. He was the widower of Frances (Paiva) Lawrence and the son of the late Manuel and Amelia (Machado) Lawrence.

He died at St. Luke's Hospital.

He was born in St. Michael, Azores and lived in New Bedford most of his life. He was the owner and operator of Lawrence Farm and Greenhouses.

Survivors include five sons, George and state Rep. Denis, both of New Bedford, Antone Jr., of Little Compton, R.I., Philip of Westport and Manuel of New Hampshire; a sister, Clara Belardis of Newport, R.I.; 16 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Saunders Funeral Home, 495 Park St.