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Rafael Laurens

CENTRAL FALLS — Rafael Laurens, 61, of 66 Washington St., a textile machine operator for 45 years, died yesterday at Summit Medical Center. He was the husband of Emiliana (Garcia) Laurens. In February, illness forced his retirement from Hasbro Industries, where he had worked for two years.

Born in Barranquilla, Colombia, he was a son of the late Rodolfo and Juana (Castaneda) Laurens and resided in Central Falls for eight years, previously living in New Bedford for one year.

Besides his wife, he leaves four sons, Rodolfo Laurens of Pawtucket, Rafael Laurens in Colombia, Henry and Fredy Laurens, both of Central Falls; six daughters, Mrs. Juana Marques of Central Falls, Fabiola and Dennis Laurens of Central Falls and Ortercia, Rosario and Erany Laurens, all in Venezuela; five brothers, Jerma, Salomon, Ricardo, Jacobo and Daniel Laurens, all in Colombia; a sister, Mrs. Rita Rojas in Colombia and five grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Tuesday at 8 a.m. from the Charles Coelho Funeral Home, 151 Cross St., with a Mass of Christian Burial at Holy Trinity Church, Fuller Avenue, at 9. Burial will be in Notre Dame Cemetery, Pawtucket.