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GEORGE RAPOZA

George Rapoza, 56, of 267 South St., Raynham, died Tuesday evening at Morton Hospital after a long illness. He was the husband of the late Betty Jane (Gilbert) Rapoza.

He retired five years ago from his job as a machinist at Mt Hope Machine Co., where he had worked for many years. He was a communicant of Holy Family Church.

During World War II he was a private first class in the U.S. Army. Before enlisting, he had served as a cook aboard U.S. Merchant Marine liberty ships and military transports.

He was a crew member aboard a ship that was torpedoed in the North Atlantic, and another that was bombed in the English Channel.

Born in Raynham, he was the son of John and Angelina (Pacheco) Rapoza of Raynham.

Besides his parents he leaves two sons, George A. Rapoza of Middleboro and Timothy J. Rapoza of Berkley, and a daughter, Claudia J. Rapoza of Taunton.

Also surviving him are two brothers, Daniel J. Rapoza and Charles Rapoza, both of Taunton, as well as two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.