

JOHN PEDRO

John J. Pedro, 73, of 10 Hodges Ave. died Sunday at Morton Hospital, following a short illness. He was the husband of Claire A. (Chausse) Pedro.

He was a machinist at Wardwell Wire Braiding Co. of Pawtucket, R.I. for 25 years until his retirement in 1977.

He attended St. Mary's Church.

A Taunton resident for most of his life, he was educated in Easton schools.

During World War Two, he served in the U.S. Army.

He was born in St. Michael, Portugal, son of the late Mariano and Mary Pedro.

In addition to his widow, he leaves two sons, John E. Pedro of Plymouth and George Pedro of North Attleboro; two daughters, Mrs. Alice Healy of Attleboro and Mrs. Roger (Virginia) Turcotte of South Attleboro; two brothers, Edward Pedro of Pawtucket and James Pedro of Rehoboth; a sister, Mrs. Max (Mary) Jasak of Pawtucket; a stepbrother, Joseph Gomes of Attleboro; and nine grandchildren.

ANTONE MUNIZ

Antone Muniz, 69, of 9 Lane's Ave., died suddenly Friday morning at his home after a long illness.

He was the husband of Mary (Vero) Muniz.

Born in Taunton, he was the son of the late Antone and Annie (Silva) Muniz, and he was a life long resident of Taunton. He was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church. Until his retirement in 1970, he was employed by the Taunton Department of Public Works as a heavy equipment operator.

During World War Two, he served with the U.S. Army in the 22nd Medical Battalion of the 32nd Rainbow Division. He saw action in the Battles of the Rhineland and Central Europe as a technician fifth grade, and was awarded the American Theater Campaign Ribbon, the Victory Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, and the Army Occupation Medal of Germany.

He was a member of the Portuguese American Civic Club.

In addition to his wife, he leaves one sister, Mrs. Anna Ferreira of Taunton; one brother, John Muniz of Seabrook, N. H.; and several nieces and nephews.

FRANK J. SILVA

Frank Joseph Silva, 80, husband of Anna V. (Vargas) Silva of 4 Bartlett St., died Friday afternoon at Morton Hospital after a short illness.

Born in Taunton, he was son of the late August J. and Marianna (Dutra) Silva.

He was employed as a press operator for the former General Electric plant and continued working there when the plant became Hercules and then Haskon. He also was employed for many years as a part-time funeral assistant for the Silva Funeral Home.

He was a communicant of Our Lady of Lourdes Church and was a member of the Holy Name and the Holy Ghost Societies.

He is survived by his widow and several nieces and nephews.

LOUISE SILVA

Louise L. (Pacheco) Ventura Silva, 82, of 163 Carver St., Raynham, died Friday at Morton Hospital, following a three months' illness. She was the widow of John Silva and of John J. Ventura.

Until her retirement at age 65, she was employed for several years in Morton Hospital's Housekeeping Department.

A native of Raynham, she was a communicant of St. Ann Church in Raynham.

Surviving are five sons, John Ventura of Middleboro, Joseph Ventura and William Ventura, both of Taunton, Abel Ventura of Raynham and Frank Ventura, at whose Raynham home she resided.

Also, five daughters, Mrs. Herbert (Georgina) Given of Raynham, Mrs. Mary Gosselin of Plymouth, Mrs. Robert (Florence) Kable of Taunton, Mrs. Richard (Angelina) Gosselin of Hingham, and Mrs. Eugene (Janet) Fournier of Marstons Mills; two brothers, Charles Pacheco of Manteca, Calif. and Marion Pacheco of Modesto, Calif.

Also, three sisters, Antoinette Escobar and Mary Peralto, both of Modesto, and Evelyn Santos of Taunton; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, and nieces.

BEVERLY BEDARD

Beverly Jean (Raposa) Bedard, 32, of 31 Lillian Terrace died Sunday at Morton Hospital following a long illness. She was the wife of Robert T. Bedard.

She was formerly employed at Morton Hospital as a laboratory technician.

She was a communicant of St. Jacques Church and a member of the St. Jacques Women's Guild.

Born in Taunton, she was the daughter of Alice (Mendoza) Raposa and the late John Raposa.

Besides her husband and mother, she is survived by two brothers, John Raposa and James Raposa, both of Taunton; four sisters, Mrs. Richard (Cynthia) Smith, Mrs. Charles (Anne) McCaffrey, and Mrs. Steven (Laurie) Jones, all of Taunton, and Mrs. Gary (Rosemary) Williams of Lakeville; and several nephews and nieces.

MANUEL MOITOZA

Manuel S. Moitoza, 63, of 114 Oak St., husband of Mary M. (Almeida) Moitoza, died Saturday night shortly after arrival at Parkwood Hospital in New Bedford. He had been stricken while attending a dance in New Bedford.

He was employed over 35 years as a silversmith for Poole Silver Company, retiring last year.

He was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church.

A veteran of World War Two, serving as a private first class in the 989th Field Artillery Battalion, he saw action in the Battles of Normandy and Northern France, Rhineland, and Central Europe.

Born in Middletown, R.I., he was the son of the late Manuel S. and Mary (Chaves) Moitoza. He had lived in Taunton for the past 43 years.

Besides his widow, he leaves five sons, Robert M. Moitoza, Ronald S. Moitoza, Richard S. Moitoza, Raymond S. Moitoza, and Randy J. Moitoza, all of Taunton; a daughter, Rosemary Moitoza Eskenazi of North Haven, Conn.; a sister, Helen Ricks of Stockton, Calif.; six grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.