## John J. Sylvia

Retired Bristol police lieutenant, 61, was a Marine veteran of World War II BRISTOL — John J. Sylvia, 61, of 267 Wood St., a retired lieutenant of the Bristol Police, died yesterday at Roger Williams General Hospital after a six-year illness. He was the husband of Eleanor M. (Medeiros) Sylvia.

He was born in Providence, a son of the late Henry J. Sylvia, Jr., a retired sergeant of the Bristol Police, and Dorothy A. (Baker) Sylvia, and was a lifelong resi-

dent of Bristol.

Mr. Sylvia attended St. Mary's School and La Salle Academy, Providence. He was with the Bristol Police Department for 16 years, retiring in 1974, a Marine Corps veteran of World War II, communicant of St. Mary's Church, past department commander of the American Legion, member of the Kearney Post American Legion and a member of the Aimeida Post 237 of VFW, member of the Voiture Local 1188 Forty & Eight.

He was active in the American Legion Blood Bank, past secretary and past exalted ruler of the Bristol County Lodge of Elks, past secretary of Bristol Fraternal Order of Police, 30-year member of the Bristol Council Knights of Columbus, member of the Cup Defenders of Bristol, member Don Luiz Felipe Assn., life member of the Dreadnaught Co. of Bristol Fire Dept. and an honorary member of the Bristol Rotary Club.

Besides his wife, he leaves a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy A. Tiley of Anchorage, Alaska; three sons, M/Sgt. John J. Sylvia, Jr., USAF, Hanscom AFB, Mass., Henry J. Sylvia, IV, of Baltimore, Ohio, and Robert A. Sylvia of Bristol; a stepmother, Mrs. Mary C. Sylvia of Bristol; and a brother, Commander Henry J. Sylvia 3rd, USN

(Ret) of Satellite Beach, Fla.; and eight grandchildren.

The funeral, with military honors, will be held on Wednesday at 8 a.m. from the Sansone Funeral Home, 192 Wood St., with a Mass of Christian Burial at 9 at St. Mary's Church, Wood Street. Burial will be at St. Mary's Cemetery.