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JOSEPH C. AVILLA

Joseph Cardoza Avilla, 65, of 526 Staples St., East Taunton, a long-time employee of the Raynham Dog Track, died Saturday afternoon at Morton Hospital following a one-year illness.

Born in Taunton, he was a son of the late Manuel C. and Mary (Rose) Avilla. He was a member of the Raposa Knott Post 2094 V.F.W. and the East Taunton Social Club.

For many years, he was employed in the maintenance department at the Raynham Dog Track. A veteran of World War Two, he was a heavy machine gunner and saw action at Rome Arno, Southern France, Rhineland and Central Europe.

He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Clara Mendoza; a nephew, Augustus A. Avilla Sr., with whom he resided; several nieces and nephews and several grandnieces and grandnephews.