

Joseph M. Costa 11/2/81

DARTMOUTH — Joseph M. Costa, 86, of Russells Mills Road, South Dartmouth, died yesterday after a brief illness. He was the husband of Irene (Martin) Costa.

He died at St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford.

He was born in St. Michael, Azores, and lived in the New Bedford area for 67 years. He was a communicant of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, New Bedford. He was proprietor of the Red Gate Package Store, South Dartmouth until his retirement.

Survivors include his widow; a son, Roland M. Costa of New Bedford; a daughter, Mary Jeffrey of New Bedford; and two grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Perry Funeral Home, 111 Dartmouth St., New Bedford.