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### Anibal C. Dias

NEWPORT — Anibal C. "Lee" Dias, 67, of 77 Roseneath Ave., a retired state worker, died Friday at Newport Hospital after being stricken at home. He was the husband of Rita (Bartlett) Dias.

Born in Portsmouth, he was a son of the late Anibal and Leopold (Lopes) Dias.

In the late 1930s, Mr. Dias was a produce manager in the Newport A & P supermarket. After 30 years in the postal service he became a member of a survey team for the state Department of Transportation and retired last summer. He was a letter carrier in Newport, Middletown and Portsmouth.

Mr. Dias was an Army Signal Corps veteran in World War II and served in the European Theater.

He was active in the Newport Men's Democratic Club. He was a past Grand Knight of the Newport Council of the Knights of Columbus. He was also a past Faithful Navigator of the General Rosecran's Council, 4th degree, Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Dias was a member of the American Legion in Newport and the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Middletown. He was a past Exalted Ruler of the Newport Elks and a past district deputy of the Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks for the State of Rhode Island.

In the late 1930s Mr. Dias was a member of the Portsmouth School Committee. He also served on the personnel review board for the City of Newport for several years.

Besides his wife he leaves a son, Daniel L. Dias, a probation and parole officer for the state; a daughter, Mrs. Euginia Shockley of Seaside, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Cabral of Riverside, Mrs. Silvia Jennings of Fall River and Mrs. Emily Freeborn of Pennsylvania; a brother, Arthur Dias of King of Prussia Pa.; and three granddaughters.

The funeral will be held Tuesday at 9 a.m. from the O'Neill Funeral Home, 465 Spring St., with a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Augustin's Church, Carroll Avenue, at 10. Burial will be in St. Columba Cemetery, Middletown.