

Maria Estrella 3/30/80

FALL RIVER, Mass. — Mrs. Maria (Souza-Mello) Estrella, 96, of 101 Grant St., died Friday in St. Anne's Hospital. She was the widow of Manuel S. Estrella.

Born in Relva, St. Michael, Azores, she was the daughter of the late Antone and Florinda (Rose) Souza-Mello.

Mrs. Estrella had lived in this city for the last 72 years and was a member of Santo Christo Parish.

She leaves four sons, John, Charles, Arthur and Manuel Estrella Jr., all of Fall River; five daughters, Mrs. Mary Telles, Mrs. Sarah Souza, Mrs. Eva Medeiros, Mrs. Maria Rita and Mrs. Dorothy Santos, all of Fall River; 13 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren, and 7 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held from the Oliviera Funeral Home, 215 Columbia St., on Tuesday at 7:45 a.m., followed by a funeral Mass in Santo Christo Church at 9 a.m. Burial will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery.