

**JOSEPH FRANCIS**

Joseph M. Francis, 89, of 103 Baker Road West, husband of the late Mary (Cantos) Francis, died this morning at the Wedgemere Nursing Home following a long illness.

Born in the Cape Verde Islands, Portugal, he was a son of the late Antone and Mary G. (Pina) Francis.

He came to the United States 86 years ago, and has made his home in Taunton for the past 84 years. He is a communicant of Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Before his retirement at age 65, he had been a brass inspector at the New England Brass Co. for 33 years.

He leaves a son, Donald W. Francis of Taunton; two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Fortes of Taunton, and Mrs. Julia Andrews of Cambridge; seven

grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

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