Joseph Mendes

NEW BEDFORD — Joseph Mendes, 80, of South First Street, died yesterday at home after a brief illness. He was the husband of Mary C. (Verissimo) Mendes and grandfather of the late Rev. Edmond Rego.

He was born in St. Michael, Azores, and lived in New Bedford since 1956. He was a communicant of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. He was employed by Berkshire-Hathaway as a doffer until his retirement in 1959.

Survivors include his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Joseph (Mary) Rego, and one son, Joseph Jr., both of South Dartmouth; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Aubertine Funeral Home, 129 Allen St.