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### **Dominique Sousa Pavao**

**Was one of first Portuguese-American lawyers to practice in Rhode Island**

CRANSTON — Dominique Sousa Pavao, 76, of 73 Park Ave., one of the first Portuguese-American lawyers in Rhode Island, died yesterday at Rhode Island Hospital. He was the husband of Mary Clara Pavao.

A graduate of Boston University Law School and a member of the Rhode Island Bar Association, he had practiced law in Providence since 1931, having been adjudication officer with the Veterans Administration from 1943 to 1947.

He had lived in Cranston for 11 years.

He had been active in Portuguese-American affairs for decades, having been a founder and many-time officer of the Cranston Portuguese Club. He was also a member and sometime officer of the Holy Name Society of the Holy Rosary Church, the Portuguese Sporting Club, and the Theophilo Braga Club of Providence, the Uniao Portuguese Beneficente, the Seven Castles Club of Pawtucket and the St. Peter's Brotherhood of the Holy Ghost Church, East Providence.

Besides his wife, he leaves a son, Jerrold Peacock, and two sisters, Mrs. Irene Rebello and Miss Gilda Pavao, all of Somerset, Mass.

The funeral will be held Tuesday at 9 a.m. from the Rebello Funeral Home, 301 Broadway, East Providence, with a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Paul's Church, Edgewood, at 10. Burial will be in Gate of Heaven Cemetery, East Providence.