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**Joseph O. Pontes Jr.**

Joseph O. Pontes Jr., 73, of Chase Road, North Dartmouth, died yesterday after a long illness. He was the widower of Lucie (Lagasse) Pontes.

He was a lifelong resident of the New Bedford area. He was a construction foreman for the Demattio Construction Co., until his retirement.

Survivors include three sisters, Irene Simmons of North Dartmouth, Irondina Rainville of South Dartmouth and Agnes Ferreira of New Bedford; and two brothers, Antone O. Pontes of Plymouth and Alfred O. Pontes of South Dartmouth.

Arrangements are by the Perry Funeral Home, 111 Dartmouth St., New Bedford.