

Obituaries

JOHN SILVA

HYANNIS — John Silva, 80, of 127 Cornell Drive, Dennisport, formerly of 131 Carver St., Raynham, died Sunday at Cape Cod Hospital following a short illness.

Born in Cambridge, he was the son of the late Manuel and Mary (Ventura) Silva. He was employed for many years as a custodian at the East Cambridge Court House, Cambridge, retiring 14 years ago.

He was a communicant of St. Ann's Church in Raynham and a member of the Holy Ghost Society of St. Anthony's Church of Cambridge.

Surviving him are his wife, Louise Silva of Dennisport and Raynham; two daughters, Mrs. James (Lorraine) Kelly of Waltham and Mrs. James (Claudia) Samalis of Milford; five stepdaughters; five stepsons; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild, Stephen Kelley.

WILLIAM VIERA

William Viera, 92, formerly of Presbrey Court, died late Saturday afternoon at Taunton Nursing Home after a long illness. He was the husband of the late Mary S. (Soares) Viera.

Born in Dighton, he was the son of the late Antonio and Mary (Fraga) Viera.

He was employed as a tool and die maker for Glenwood Range Stove Co. of Taunton until it closed, and later worked at Wheeler Reflector Co. of Hanson. He retired at the age of 65.

A communicant of Our Lady of

Lourdes Church, he was church's first altar boy, past treasurer of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, and a member of the Holy Name Society, and the Holy Ghost Society.

He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus (third degree), Mgrs. James Coyle Council 82. He belonged to Elks Lodge 150, and was the lodge's oldest past exalted ruler and one of its oldest members.

He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Albert (Geraldine F.) Giordano of Monument Beach; a sister, Mrs. Margaret Ferrie of Taunton; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

HUGH MAYHER

Hugh Mayher, 63, of 5 Benefit St., husband of Alice L. Mayher, died Sunday at Morton Hospital following a short illness.

Born in Wilmington, Vt., he was the son of the late William and Anne L. (Monahan) Mayher. He had lived in Taunton for 40 years.

A retired Captain in the U.S. Air Force, he was a recipient of the Purple Heart for service in World War II which included flying 24 missions over Germany.

He worked as an experimental technician at Mount Hope Finishing Company for 20 years before retiring. He served as first president of the Catholic War Veterans and was past president of the Legion of Mary.

Besides his wife, he leaves three sons, Kevin T. Mayher and Christopher M. Mayher, both of Taunton, and Hugh M. Mayher of Raynham; three daughters, Mrs. Mary F. Sisco of Taunton, Mrs. Robert (Anne L.) Durette of Somerset and Mrs. Michael (Virginia M.) Medeiros of Berkley.

He also leaves four sisters, Mrs. Dominic (Geraldine) Ruina of Winchester, Mrs. Louise Bohye of West Palm Beach, Fla., Mrs. Wesley (Grace) Trott of Harwich, and Mrs. Madeline Hodeka of Palm Beach, Fla.; 12 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.