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to the United States 55 years ago.

He was the son of the late John and Claudina (Pereira) Raposa.

He was employed for many years as a puller for the Bridgewater Shoe Cooperative in Bridgewater, retiring at the age of 65. He worked part-time more recently in the maintenance department at the Jeweled Cross Co. of North Attleboro.

He attended St. Mary's Church of North Attleboro and was for many years a communicant of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Taunton.

Surviving him are his wife; a son, Francis Raposa of Morrisonville, N. Y.; a brother, John Raposa of Raynham; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Correia of Taunton and Mrs. Manuel (Theresa) Raposa of Fall River; and three grandchildren.

MARY SYLVIA

DIGHTON — Mary (Martin) Sylvia, 89, of 907 Center St., North Dighton, formerly of 615 Berkley St., Berkley, and wife of the late Francis J. Sylvia, died Wednesday morning at the Dighton Nursing and Convalescent Home following a long illness.

Born in Canada, she was a daughter of the late August and Delina (Bosse) Martin. She came to this country when she was a girl.

Mrs. Sylvia became a Gold Star Mother during World War Two when her son, Leo Sylvia, serving with the U.S. Navy, was killed in action during the sinking of the aircraft carrier Bunker Hill. She was also the mother of the late Francis J. Sylvia, owner of Mendes Bakery, who died Nov. 4 of this year.

She leaves two sons, Edward J. Sylvia of Lakeville, and William J. "Moose" Sylvia of Fremont, Ohio; four sisters, Mrs. Edward J. (Alice R.) Beaulieu, Mrs. Laura Burgess, Mrs. George (Aldea) Doherty, and Mrs. Stanley (Yvonne) Gajdasz, all of Taunton; and several nieces and nephews.

MARION RAPOSA

Marion Raposa, 73, of 151 East St., North Attleboro, formerly of Godfrey Street, Taunton, died Wednesday morning at Southwood Community Hospital in Norfolk after a long illness. He was the husband of Mary (Freitas) Raposa. Born in St. Michael, Azores, he came