

Joseph Merdek, 89

JOSEPH MERDEK

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Joseph Merdek, 89, died Friday at the Barron Center, where he had been a patient since August.

He was born in Warsaw, Poland, a son of Gertrude and Aaron Merdek. He came to the United States with his mother and four brothers when he was 12 years old.

Initially he worked as an upholsterer and then as a manager at Sears Roebuck. In 1937 Mr. Merdek went to work for Met Life Insurance Co., where he remained for 35 years.

He was a member of Temple Beth El and a past member of the Masons and the Shriners.

Mr. Merdek was well known in Portland and Old Orchard for his daily six-mile walks.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Tyna Simensky Merdek of Portland; a daughter, Mrs. Marc (Elaine) Lasky of Poland Spring; a son, Alan Merdek of Milford, Mass.; three grandsons, Scott Tetenman of Coconut Grove, Fla., Marc Tetenman of Jackson Hole, Wyo., and Keith Merdek of Milford, Mass.; and a granddaughter, Bonnie Lasky of Quincy, Mass.

A funeral will be held at 2:30 p.m. today at Temple Beth El, 400 Deering Ave., in Portland. Burial will follow in Temple Beth El Memorial Park. A period of mourning will be observed at the home of Tyna Merdek until Wednesday. Arrangements are by Jones, Rich & Hutchins Funeral Home, 199 Woodford St., Portland.

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BORN

1906

Warsaw, Poland

DIED

31 December 1995

SPOUSE AND CHILDREN

Tyna Simensky Merdek **wife**

Mrs Elaine Lasky **daughter**

Alan Merdek **son**

PARENTS AND SIBLINGS

Gertrude Merdek **mother**

Aaron Merdek **father**

EXTENDED FAMILY

Marc Lasky **son-in-law**

Scott Tetenman **grandson**

Marc Tetenman **grandson**

Keith Merdek **grandson**

Bonnie Lasky **granddaughter**