

BANGOR - Gertrude E. Podolsky, 94, wife of the late Louis M. Podolsky, who predeceased her in 1970, died July 28, 1999, at a local health-care center. She was born in Bangor, April 19, 1905, daughter of Jacob and Lena (Goldberg)

Braveman.

She was a life long resident of Bangor and a graduate of Bangor High School, Class of 1923. She was a life member of Beth Israel Synagogue and the Riverside Chapter No. 123 OES of Orland. Gertrude, as a young girl in high school, was employed at the Boston Button Store, Main Street, Bangor, for many years and in later years she and her husband, Louis owned and operated the Center Variety Shoppe on Center Street for 25 years.

Surviving, in addition to her son, Stephen Podolsky of Bangor; are three sisters, Marcia Braveman and Helen Rolsky, both of Bangor, Sarah Melnick of Brookline, Mass.; several

nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held 11 a.m. Thursday at Beth Israel Cemetery, Bangor, with Rabbi Yisrael Brettler officiating. Gifts in her memory may be sent to the Beth Israel Synagogue, 144 York St., Bangor 04401. A service of Brookings-Smith, Bangor.