

Furniture Firm Founder Dead

Louis Rapaport, 80, founder of the New Central Furniture Company on State Street, and prominent Eastern Maine businessman, died Sunday evening at a local hospital following a short illness.

Mr. Rapaport also was a franchised auto dealer in 1919 in Millinocket.

He was a resident of 115 Essex Street. Born in Lithuania, June 19, 1885, he was the son of Jacob and Esther Zelda Rapaport.

Mr. Rapaport was past president of the Beth Israel Synagogue, past president of the Bangor-Hebrew School and was active in the Pine Tree Chapter of the B'nai B'rith. He also was a member of the Zionist organization of America, the Jewish Community Council and the Jewish Home for the Aged in Portland. He was a member of the Bangor Lodge of Elks.

Surviving, besides his wife, Mrs. Rosa Alta (Harris) Rapaport of Bangor, are two sons, Jack of Brewer and A. David of Bangor; three daughters, Mrs. Ida Glaser of Medford, Mass., Mrs. Ann Podolsky of Old Town and Mrs. Sarah Striar of Bangor; two sisters, Mrs. Libby Baris of New York and



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Mrs. Ida Shur of Bangor; several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the Jewish Community Chapel Tuesday at 2 p.m. The Rabbi A. H. Freedman of the Beth Israel Synagogue officiating. Interment will be in the Beth Israel Cemetery. A memorial week will be observed at his residence, 115 Essex Street.