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William Cohen, 99, of Caleb Street died Oct. 15, 2000, at Mercy Hospital in Portland after a brief illness. He would have celebrated his 100th birthday on Dec. 19.

He was born here, a son of Bernard and Esther Judelshon Cohen, and graduated from Portland High School and Boston University.

A certified public accountant, Mr. Cohen owned and operated Portland Mutual Loan Association and Willco Finance Co. of Portland.

He was a founder of Temple Beth El, where he served as treasurer, and helped establish the Temple Beth El Memorial Park. He was chairman of Portland's Israel Bond Drive from 1956 to 1962, and chairman of the Jewish Federation's annual campaign.

He was a philanthropist, and took great pride in the trees he planted at Etz Chaim Synagogue, Temple Beth El and Temple Beth El Memorial Park.

Surviving are his wife of 66 years, Ida Mack Cohen; two sons, Richard J. of Maplewood, N.J., and Bernard G. of Portland; and six grandchildren.

A funeral service will be at 10 a.m. today at Temple Beth El, with Rabbi Carolyn Braun officiating.

Burial will be in Temple Beth El Memorial Park. Arrangements are by the Jewish Funeral Home of Portland.

A period of mourning will be observed today and Wednesday with minyan at 6 p.m. at 145 Caleb St., Portland.

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