

DARWIN PORTMAN;
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Darwin Portman, an **immigration law** attorney, died Tuesday (Feb. 6, 2001) after suffering a heart attack at a restaurant near his office in Clayton. He was 64 and lived in University City.

Mr. **Portman**, the son of a Russian immigrant, fought hard and often without pay for immigrants and others caught up in the complexities of U.S. **immigration laws**.

Mr. **Portman**, a St. Louis native, earned his **law** degree from Washington University.

He was a former chairman of the **immigration law** committee of the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis.

He was a founder of St. Louis Volunteer Lawyers and Accountants for the Arts, which provided free legal and accounting assistance for artists and arts organizations.

Mr. **Portman** was a director of the St. Louis branch of the American Jewish Congress and a national board member of American Youth Hostels.

He was a founding member of Central Reform Congregation in St. Louis and a member of the League of Women Voters.

A graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Beth Hamedrosh Hagodol Cemetery in Ladue.

Mr. **Portman** is survived by his wife, Carol; two sons, Alan **Portman** of University City and Bob **Portman** of Chesterfield; a brother, Eugene **Portman** of Clayton; a sister, Ruth Steele of Creve Coeur; and a grandson.

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