

**IMPERATORE, George E. Imperatore**

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NEWARK— George E. Imperatore, who founded the North Jersey trucking company A-P-A Transport with four of his brothers, died on Friday in Boca Raton, FL, where he had moved from Franklin Lakes, NJ. He was 82. The cause was a chronic heart condition, family members said. In 1947 the brothers borrowed \$500 to start the company with a used Army truck, said a nephew, Edward G. Imperatore. The company, the 38th-largest carrier in the country, closed in 2002. George Imperatore served as executive vice president and sales director, retiring in 1982. Mr. Imperatore was born in West New York. As a young man during the Depression, he joined the Civilian Conservation Corps, and during World War II he served in a Navy Seabee unit.