

Eli Hanover **dies at 54**

Boxing promoter Eli Hanover died last night at Baltimore County General Hospital. He was 54.

Hanover entered the hospital several weeks ago, the day after his last promotion at Largo's Capital Centre featuring Emile Griffith and Leo Saenz. He had lined up another card there for Tuesday.

A former boxer, Hanover is credited with reviving the sagging local fight game in the mid-Sixties when he launched programs at the Civic Center and Steelworkers Hall.

During his association with the sport, he also managed Johnny Gilden, a local fighter.

Hanover, a Baltimore native, was also the operator of a night club on The Block.

He is survived by his wife Frances and nine children.

Funeral services will be held today at 3 P.M. at Sol Levinson & Brothers in the 6000 block of Reisterstown road.