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Prominent businessman, Wilbur Case dies following brief illness

Wilbur Case, 82-year-old prominent Moberly businessman and civic leader, died at 8:10 p.m. Thursday at Columbia Regional Hospital, Columbia, after a brief illness. He was admitted to the hospital Wednesday.

Born April 21, 1908, at Sedalia, L. Wilbur Case was a son of the late Leslie and Carrie Perkins Case. He and Ruby Stuck were married June 8, 1943, in Arkansas.

Mr. Case was a member of the West Park United Methodist Church, Moberly; Masonic Lodge No. 344 AF and AM, Ararat Shrine, Scottish Rite and a former board member of Community Hospital and Moberly Regional Medical Center.

For a number of years, he served as public relations chairman for the Coon Creek Shrine Club, being active in the rodeos held in Moberly and also the annual ham and bean dinner at the Masonic Temple.

He was appointed to the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Moberly on Feb. 17, 1969. He was elected chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority on May 15, 1975. Mr. Case was commissioner when Moberly Towers Annex was built and Allendale and Countryview Apartments were refurbished. At the regular council meeting on Oct. 1, 1990, Mr. Case was unanimously reappointed to another four year term on the Moberly Housing Authority.

He was still associated with Macon Building and Loan Association at the office in Moberly and was a Randolph County Deputy Sheriff. Mr. Case was active in the Democratic Party.

Surviving are his wife of Moberly; sons, Leslie Gene, of Moberly, and Robert of St. Louis; and several grandchildren; brother, Russell, Shawnee Mission, KS; five sisters, Peggy Myers, Mary Greene and Ann Cox, all of Overland Park, KS; Ruby French, Alburquerque, N.M. and Helen Wilson, North Platte, NE.

Funeral services will be 1:30 p.m. Monday in Cater Funeral Home. Burtal will be in Oakland Cemetery. Rev. Mark Harvey of West Park United Methodist Church will officiate. Masonic services will be conducted at 7 p.m. Sunday at Cater's. Visitation will be from 6 until 8 p.m. Sunday at Cater's.



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