

## Ward P. Burdine

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**Ward Pearson, Sr.** Suddenly, on Tuesday, November 10, 1964, at Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Ward Pearson Burdine, Sr., of 59 Walnut ave., Takoma Park, Md., father of Mrs. Florence W. Raley, Mrs. Wilbur B. Liezear and Ward Pearson Burdine, jr.; brother of Eugene and Earl H. Burdine. There are 4 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Mr. Burdine rests at the Warner E. Pumphrey Funeral Home, 8434 Georgia ave., Silver Spring, Md., where service will be held Friday, November 13, at 1 p.m. (parking facilities). Friends may visit at the funeral home after 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Interment Congressional cemetery.

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#### **W.P. Burdine, 74, Retired in 1960 as Tax Collector**

Ward P. Burdine, 74, who retired in 1960 after 44 years as a tax collector for the Internal Revenue Service, died after a heart attack Tuesday.

He lived at 59 Walnut Ave., Takoma Park, Md.

Mr. Burdine, whose wife died in 1933, was employed at the IRS office at Four Corners, Silver Spring, at the time of his retirement.

He had been a field agent with IRS since 1916, much of the time supervising collection of federal taxes on tickets to the Washington ball park, area race tracks and Washington Redskin football games.

He also collected special levies against cigar factories and distilleries in nearby Maryland areas.

When he retired, his colleagues and friends, including representatives of the Washington Senators, the Redskins and Laurel Race Track, honored him at a retirement dinner.

Before going to work with Internal Revenue Service three years after passage of the federal income tax law, Mr. Burdine was a steamfitter. He was recommended for the federal job by the late Sen. Blair Lee of Maryland, and his son E. Brooke Lee, long a Montgomery County Democratic leader.

Mr. Burdine leaves a son, Ward P. Burdine Jr. of Sarasota, Fla.; two daughters, Mrs. Florence Raley of 5314 Broad Branch Road NW and Mrs. Wilbur B. Leizear of 516 Northwest Drive, Silver Spring; two brothers, Eugene Burdine of Herndon, Va., and Earl H. Burdine, 7129 Sycamore Ave., Takoma Park, and four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Services will be held at the Warner Pumphrey funeral home, Silver Spring at 1 p.m. tomorrow. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery in Washington.