Harry James Eckstein, Sr.

(7 Sep 1907 - 27 May 1985)

Eckstein, Harry (Jack), Sr. On Monday, May 27, 1985, Harry (Jack) Eckstein, Sr., of Silver Spring, Md., beloved husband of the late Madeline Eckstein; father of Harry J. Eckstein Jr., Elizabeth Chase, Maggie Winn-Jones, Kathryn Johnson, Frances Roberton; brother of Alvina Marski; also survived by eight grandchildren. Relatives and friends may call at Collins Funeral Home, 500 University blvd. w., Silver Spring, Md., Thursday 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial service at Christ Congregational Church, 9525 Colesville rd., Silver Spring, Md., on Friday, May 31 at 2 p.m. Interment private. Sympathy may be expressed in the form of memorials to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

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Harry James Eckstein,

77, a vice president of Best Continental Books of Silver Spring and a retired assistant vice president of the District News Service, died of cardiac arrest May 27 at his summer home in Blue Ridge Summit, Pa. He lived in Silver Spring.

Mr. Eckstein was a charter member of Christ Congregational Church in Silver Spring.

He had been vice president of Best Continental, which owns the Book and Card bookstore in Falls Church and a book distribution service, since retiring from District News in 1967. Before joining district News in 1956, he had been a manager with the American News Co. here. He was a native of Baltimore and moved to this area in 1928 when he joined American News.

His wife, Madeline, died in 1981. Survivors include a son, Harry J. Jr., of Falls Church; four daughters, Elizabeth Chase of Chapel Hill, N.C., Magggie Winn-Jones of Washington, Kathryn Johnson of Thomasville, N.C., and Frances Roberton of Silver Spring; a sister, Alvina Marski of Baltimore, and eight grandchildren.