

Harry N. Stull

(- 21 Aug 1959)

Stull, Harry N. On Friday, August 21, 1959, at his residence 3940 Garrison st. nw.; Harry N. Stull, beloved husband of Blanche J. Stull; father of Lester H. Stull and Mrs. Ruth Jane Herndon. Services at the S.H. Hines Co. Funeral Home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Monday, August 24, at 1 p.m. (parking facilities). Interment Congressional Cemetery.

The Evening Star, August 22, 1959, p. A6

Harry N. Stull, 74, Dies; Honored Civic Leader

Harry N. Stull, 74, a three-time president of the Federation of citizens Associations and a tireless worker for District home rule, died yesterday of a liver ailment.

Mr. Stull, who was voted the federation's first president emeritus in 1957, died at his home, 3940 Garrison street N.W.

During his many years as a federation officer he made home rule for the District his major goal. "We are so impotent," he said in 1940 during his first term as president of the federation, "that we cannot force our wishes on anyone.

"Those who oppose change would lead you to believe that we are living in a modern Utopia. It is not going to be an ideal government until we have our own government."

Suffrage Organizer

As a federation vice president in 1937, he had organized a District of Columbia Suffrage Association.

Earlier, he had worked long and hard to improve the District school system as head of the federation's education committee.

Mr. Stull first became active in civic affairs in 1920 when he helped organize the Stanton Park Citizens Association. At that time he lived at 408 Fourth street N.E.

Later he served as president and federation delegate of the Stanton Park group. In 1949, although Mr. Stull had moved to a new home in the Northwest, Stanton Park residents honored him and his wife for their 30 years' service at a special ceremony.

Born in Frederick, Md., Mr. Stull moved to Washington when he was 6 and was educated in District schools.

Served Claims Court

For 36 years he was a court reporter and auditor for the United States Court of Claims. Later he was principal examiner in the claims division of the General Accounting Office.

Aside from civic activities, his main hobby was a stamp collection. He was also a member of the Masonic Order.

He leaves his wife Blanche and a son Lester of the home address, a daughter, Ruth Herndon of Hyattsville, and four grandchildren.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday at the S.H. Hines Funeral Home, 2901 Fourteenth street N.W. Burial will be at Congressional Cemetery.

The Washington Post, August 22, 1959, p. B2

Harry N. Stull Dies; Longtime Civic Leader

Harry N. Stull, president emeritus and former president of the Federation of Citizens Associations, died yesterday at his home, 3940 Garrison st. nw., of a liver ailment. He was 74.

In addition to his wide civic interests, Mr. Stull was for 36 years a court reporter and auditor for the United States Court of Claims, and later principal examiner in the Claims Division of the General Accounting Office for six years. He also held top level posts in the local civil defense program during and after World War II.

In 1920 Mr. Stull was one of the founders of the Stanton Park Citizens Association. He was later president of the association and head of its education committee, spending most of his time thinking up ways to better school conditions in the District.

He was a strong critic of overcrowded schools, and was interested in the District's traffic problem. He also championed the right of District residents to vote. "Like Indians on other Federal reservations," he once said, "we can yelp -- but no one has to do as we say."

He was president of the Federation from 1940 to 1942, and in 1957 was elected its first president emeritus.