

## Lee Allen Swem ( - 24 May 1954)

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**Swem.** On Monday, May 24, 1954 at New York City, New York, Lee Allen Swem of New York City, New York, husband of Lorraine Rose Swem, father of Lee Allan Swem, J. and Gary Swem, brother of John B. Swem. Friends may call at the Lee Funeral Home, 4th street and Massachusetts avenue northeast after 12 noon, Thursday, May 27th where services will be held at 1 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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### **L.A. Swem, 54, Dies**

#### **Business Executive Was Born in D.C.**

Lee Allan Swem, 54, New York business executive who was born in Washington, died yesterday in Bronxville, N.Y. where he lived.



He was the brother of John B. Swem, 4307 Albemarle street N.W., treasurer of the Associated General Contractors of America.

Mr. Swem's father, the Rev. E. Hez Swem, who died in Washington in 1936, was a Baptist minister here for more than 50 years. He was pastor of Second and Centennial Baptist Churches.

Mr. Swem went to Eastern High School, George Washington University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was graduated from Georgetown University Law School in 1926.

He was a Patent Office examiner and then became a patent attorney with Packard Motor Co. in Detroit, the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey in New York, and the Budd Manufacturing Co. in Philadelphia. He was in private practice in New York from 1930 to 1936 when he joined the Foster Wheeler Corp. of New York as patent counsel.

Mr. Swem had been vice president in charge of international operations of the Foster Wheeler Corp. since 1950.

His membership included the American and New York Bar Associations, American, New York Patent Law Associations and the Christian Businessmen's Committee of New York.

Besides his brother, he is survived by his widow, Lorraine Rose, and two sons, Lee, jr., a student at the University of Miami, and Air Force Pvt. Gary E. Swem, stationed at Sampson Air Force Base, N.Y.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Lee funeral home, Fourth street and Massachusetts avenue N.E. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.