Mark Rittenhouse Woodward, Jr.

(1883 - 22 Aug 1947)

Woodward, Mark Rittenhouse. On Friday, August 22, 1947, in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Mark Rittenhouse Woodward, husband of Florence Dean Woodward; father of Dean P. and Mark R. Woodward 3d; brother of William C. Woodward, Miss Esther R. Woodward, Mrs. Mary W. Pitts. Services will be held at Gawler's Chapel, 1750 Pennsylvania ave. n.w., on Tuesday, August 26, at 2:30 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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Mark R. Woodward Dies; Was Native of Washington

Mark Rittenhouse Woodward, 65, director of the cement and allied plants division of the Vulcan Iron Works and a native of Washington, died of a heart attack yesterday in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., after a week's illness, relatives here have been informed.

He was a brother of Dr. William C. Woodward, former District health officer and coroner, and of Miss Esther R. Woodward, 2456 Twentieth street N.W.

Mr. Woodward was a graduate of McKinley High School, where he later taught manual training while attending George Washington University. He received a degree in electrical engineering from George Washington in 1906 and entered the construction business.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Florence Dean Woodward, Wilkes-Barre; two sons, Dean Pursell Woodward of Philadelphia and Mark Rittenhouse Woodward III, St. Louis; the brother and sister here and another sister, Mrs. George B. Pitts of Cleveland.

The body has been brought here, but funeral arrangements have not been completed.

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Woodward Funeral Set For Tuesday

Mark Woodward, 65, descendant of an old Washington family and director of the cement and allied plants division of the Vulcan Iron Works at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., died at his home there Friday of a heart attack.

According to his brother, Dr. William C. Woodward, of 2701 Connecticut ave. nw., Mr. Woodward has been ill for the past week.

A native Washingtonian, he held a degree in electrical engineering from George Washington University, graduating from there in 1906. At one time he was assistant principal of McKinley Manual Training School here, later McKinley High School.

During World War I he was with the Navy here as an engineer. Later he was sent by the Navy to Allentown, Pa., where he helped increase cement production.

He also worked for several years in Chicago, where he made a study of sewage sludge in that city's rivers. During World War II he was an executive of a munitions factory at Sandusky, Ohio.

Mr. Woodward's paternal grandfather, William Woodward, was born in Washington in 1803, and later built one of the first brick houses on Pennsylvania ave. between the White House and the Treasury building.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Florence Dean Woodward of Wilkes-Barre, he leaves two sons, Dean P. of Philadelphia and Mark R. 3d of St. Louis, his brother, and two sisters, Esther Woodward of 2456 20th st. nw. and Mrs. Mary W. Pitts of Cleveland.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. at Gawler's funeral home, 1750 Pennsylvania ave. nw. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.