Prominent Bellevillian Dies

Active in the civic, business, musical and religious life of the city for many years, Harry Russell Moorman, 8 Isabel Street, died at his home early today in his 80th year.

Mr. Moorman was born in Thurlow township, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moorman but lived most of his life in Belleville. He was educated in the township school, Belleville Collegiate and later at Albert College.

In his early life he trayelled for Perrin Company candy and biscuit makers and in 1929 he joined Leo Riggs in the car business. While employed with Riggs Motors he was business manager of the firm and in 1956 moved across the street and established the Volkswagen dealership, which he conducted until 1962 when he retired from business.

Mr. Moorman from his younger days displayed a love for music and was the moving spirit of many musical groups in the city. He sang in the Tabernacle United Church choir for over 40 years; he organized the minstrel shows put on by the Rotary Club in the old Griffin Opera House. He organized and directed a male chorus in the city for many years

and he sang in a quartet for years and made radio appearances with CFCA in Toronto. He was a charter member of the Community Concert Association and manager of the Municipal Band.

He was a member of Tabernacle Church and was serving on the Board of Stewards at the time of his death. He also served on many boards of the church. Fraternally he was a life member of Eureka Lodge AF and AM No. 283 and a member of Rotary Club for 40 years and that club made him an honorary life member. He was highly respected by a wide circle of friends.

Surviving are his wife, the former Charlotte Sine, two daughters, Miss Dorothy and Lois Moorman and one son Ronald Moorman all of Belleville and two grandchildren, Paul and Beth Moorman. He was the last of his family, being predeceased by two brothers and one sister.

Mr. Moorman is resting at the Pinkston and Luscombe Funeral Home. Services will be conducted in the chapel on Wednesday, Feb. 4 at two p.m. Interment will be in Belleville Cemetery with Rev. Robert Crooks officiating.

In lieu of flowers donations will be gratefully received for the Rotary Club Crippled Children's Fund.

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