

William J. Morrison, Educator, Laid to Rest

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The funeral service for William John Morrison was held Monday afternoon from the chapel of the Pinkston and Luscombe Funeral Home to Bridge St. United Church for service. Dr. H. M. Davis officiated at the church and at the grave -

side at Belleville Cemetery. The bearers were Dr. J. G. Demeza, Arthur Clare, John Hodgson, Bryson Leslie, Harold Mott and John Deacon. Representatives of the board of the church and Rotary Club as well as former and present teachers

from the Ontario School for the Deaf and their students paid their last respects to the well known educator.

Mr. Morrison of 137 Bridge St. East passed away at his residence on Friday in his 85th year. He was born in Beeton, Ont., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James C. Morrison and has been living in Belleville for the past 32 years. He previously resided in Brantford.

Mr. Morrison donated over half of his life to education beginning his career as a high school teacher in Listowell before he attended college. He was an honor graduate of chemistry at the University of Toronto and continued his career as high school principal at Bowmanville and Inspector of Public Schools at Brantford.

Mr. Morrison came to Belleville as superintendent of the Ontario School for the Deaf in 1935. He retired from the position in 1953.

In the community Mr. Morrison was as active as he was in education. He was a member of the official board of Bridge St. United Church and an elder and had also been very active in the recent building campaign of the church.

He was also past president and an honorary member of the Rotary Club and past president of the Red Cross branch in this city. Mr. Morrison was past president of the Community Concert Association, a member of The Belleville Lodge A.F. and A.M. No. 123 and a member of the Board of Governors of Albert College.

Surviving him are his son, John Morrison of Ottawa and his daughters Miss Isabelle Morrison of London and Miss Kathleen Morrison (a teacher at B.C.I.) of Belleville. He was predeceased by his wife, the former Isabelle Clapman.

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