

Rites Wednesday for Dr. Read, noted scientist

Grandfatherly's first concern

PASADENA - Funeral services for Dr. William Thornton Read Sr., 86, a distinguished scientist who made his home in Pasadena for the past six years, will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Harry Johnson officiating. Burial will be in Forest Park East.

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Dr. Read died of heart failure Sunday in a local nursing home. He has been in ill health for about two years, but until that time had continued to write scientific articles for Americana Encyclopedia, where he served as editor for scientific articles.

Dr. Read's home here was at 1710 Cherokee. His career as a chemist spanned several decades, including service as scientific adviser to the Research and Development Group, General Staff for the Army in Washington, D. C., a position he held for 15 years.

He received his A.B. and A.M. degrees from Austin College. His M.A. from the

University of Texas and his Ph.D. from Yale University, taught at several universities and served as a chemical office in the Army in World War I. He was a professor and head of the chemistry department at Texas Tech, and has held many positions of leadership in chemical and scientific organizations over a period of many years.

Dr. Read was born at College Station, where his father, Dr. Joseph Dodson Read, served as first school physician for Texas A&M College.

Upon his semi-retirement, Dr. Read continued to contribute to many scientific publications. He is

the author of the textbook on industrial chemicals which was placed in the Westinghouse time capsule in 1939, which will be opened many years hence to show what our civilization was like in the 20th century.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, American Chemical Society, Texas Exes, Sigma Xi, The American Chemical Engineering Society. He was a chemist for the General Staff Department of the Army, USA.

Survivors include his wife, Roxie Clark Read, Pasadena; one daughter, Dr. Roxane Wiswell, Pasadena; one son, William Thornton Read, Jr., Summit, New

Jersey; and two grandchildren and a host of friends.

Pallbearers will be William J. Cruse, Bob Aldrich, Don Myers, Robert Russell, H. D. Haney, Dr. James Furrh. Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. James M. McCleery, Dr. Thomas Spencer, Dr. Kenton Pate, Lloyd M. Wells, Bill Barry, Cecil E. Freeman, Sterling Loomis, A. E. Thweatt.

In lieu of flowers the family requests contributions to the Texas Heart Institute in the Texas Medical Center.

Colonial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



Dr. W. T. Read Sr.