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David A. Wright III

A memorial service for David A. Wright III, a retired civil engineer and member of the International Senior Citizen Committee of the Taoist Tai-Chi Society, was held today in the Meadows Brothers Funeral Home, 466 E. Utica St.

Wright died Sunday (Aug. 19, 1990) after being stricken in his Ivy Street home. He was 58.

Born in Buffalo, Wright attended School 17 and McKinley High School.

He also began his training as an engineer at Erie Community College.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy and was honorably discharged in 1952. Soon after, he joined the New York State Department of Transportation, where he worked as a civil engineer on state bridges and roads until his retirement in 1987.

Wright was a member of the Colored Musicians Club and had been a member of the Royal Sereaders Singing Ensemble, a semi-professional performing group.

Shortly after his retirement he joined the Taoist Tai-Chi Club of Buffalo.

He was an active board member through the period in which it became a statewide organization, the Taoist Tai-Chi Society of New York State.

Wright, who rehabilitated himself after suffering strokes, studied the ancient Chinese exercise for health and relaxation.

The state club is part of large international society with clubs in Canada, Australia, Great Britain, Hong Kong and Switzerland.

Wright was a member of the first international seniors committee.

The former husband of Shirley Parker, he is survived by a daughter, Deborah Wright; two sons, David IV and Warren; two sisters, Marion Harrison and Monette Johnson, and seven grandchildren.