

[Gilchrest, Bruce Gilman]

B. G. GILCHREST SUCCUMBS AT 75
Local Resident 28 Years Dies At Home After Short Illness

Bruce Gilman Gilchrest, seventy-five, prominent Mason and resident of Mount Vernon for the last 28 years, died yesterday at his home, 425 South Columbus Avenue, following a short illness.

Mr. Gilchrest is survived by a son, Oliver Stanley Gilchrest of this city, two grandchildren, Janet and Gordon Gilchrest, and a sister, Mrs. Belle Ware of Hancock, N. H.

He was born in Stoddard, N.H., a son of Gilman and Jane Philip Gilchrest. He came to this city from New Haven, Conn., where he had lived for a number of years. Mr. Gilchrest was in the wholesale fish business. He retired from active business last February.

Mr. Gilchrest was a 32nd degree Mason, having been a member of Trumbull Lodge 22 of New Haven; Franklin Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Harmony Council, Royal and Select Masters, and Lafayette Consistory. He was past commander of New Haven Commandery 2, and an honorary member of York Commandery 55, of New York. He was also a member of Pyramid Shrine of Bridgeport, Conn.

He organized and for many years headed the Universalist Crusades, a boys' religious group, and was treasurer of the First Universalist Church when the present building on South Second Avenue was erected [in 1908]. The church is known now as the First Liberal Church.

Religious and Masonic services will be held at the Burr Davis Mortuary tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. The religious service will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. Elmer D. Concord [Colcord], minister of the First Liberal Church. Hiawatha Lodge 434, Free and Accepted Masons, will officiate at the Masonic rites. Burial will be in Henniker Cemetery, Henniker, N. H., Tuesday.

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