

[Wilson, Benjamin W.]

BENJAMIN WILSON, ENGRAVING EXPERT, 78, DIES AT HOME
Well-Known Figure in Photographic World Was Ill for Two Years

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New Rochelle, N.Y., March 8—Benjamin W. Wilson, 78, formerly president of the Electro-Light Engraving Company of Brooklyn and long a national figure in the photo-engraving industry, died last night at his home, 60 Elk Ave., after an illness of two years.

Mr. Wilson had served as president of the National Association of Photo-Engravers and the Photo-Engravers League of New York.

He was born in Brooklyn, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin W. Wilson, and was educated at Nazareth Hall in Pennsylvania. He resided in Brooklyn for many years before moving to New Rochelle and was well known in religious, civic and social circles there, being active in the All Souls Universalist Church. He also was formerly active in the Amphion Musical Society, the Williamsburg Athletic Club and the old Hanover Club.

In New Rochelle Mr. Wilson also became active in church and charitable work, and in 1927 was elected president of the Colburn Memorial Home for the Aged after a long service on the board of trustees and as vice president. He also served as a director of the Central National Bank of New Rochelle and of the New York Printers and Bookbinders Mutual Insurance Association. He relinquished active work in these capacities, however, when he became ill two years ago.

He was a member of the Wykagyl Country Club, the Hardware Club, the New York Merchants Association and the Huguenot Yacht Club, of which he was a former vice commodore.

On Oct. 5, 1931, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at their home. They were married by the Rev. Dr. Almon Gunnison, former pastor of All Souls Church. Mrs. Wilson survives him with a daughter, Mrs. Adele Greeley, and two sons, Edgar P. and Rodney M. Wilson, all of New Rochelle. He is also survived by two brothers, Frank W. Wilson of Brooklyn and Daniel T. Wilson of Merrick, L.I.; two sisters, Lorena Wilson and Mrs. Frank M. Price, both of Brooklyn; two nieces, Mrs. John Gerstenberg and Miss Edith Wilson, and two nephews, Kenneth Wilson and Edwin B. Wilson.

Funeral services are to be held at 8 p.m. tomorrow at the home here. Burial will be in Cypress Hills Cemetery, Brooklyn, at 11 a.m. Friday.

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