

Tony Caperton Tomkies

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Businessman At Hinton Is Found Dead In Store

HINTON (RNS) — Tony C. Tomkies, 75, of Hinton was found dead Monday morning in

the furnace room of his store. According to Dr. M. Jamil Ahmed of Beckley Appalachian Regional Hospital, who performed an autopsy, death was attributed to natural causes. Dr. Ahmed said evidence showed the man died from heart and lung diseases.

Police said a delivery boy discovered Tomkies body in a basement furnace room, which adjoins the victim's office.

Born and reared in Hinton, he had operated the M. D. Tomkies General Store on Third Avenue for several years.

He was a son of Morgan D. and Frances Jordan Tomkies, pioneer Hinton residents. He served overseas in World War I, was a member of the Hinton Methodist Church and a director of the National Bank of Summers of Hinton.

Survivors include two brothers, Frank and Douglas, both of Huntington; and two sisters, Mrs. Frances Rogers of Beckley and Mrs. Naomi Semerad of Gary, Ind.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlors in Hinton with Dr. W. S. Wise and Dr. Fred B. Wyand in charge. Burial will be in the Tomkies Family Plot of the Hilltop Cemetery.

The body will remain at the funeral home.