

Thomas L. Read

March 13, 1897 – November 21, 1976

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Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Hinton, for Thomas L. Read, 79, of 410 Ballengee St., Hinton. The Rev. John Smith and Dr. Walter Griswold will be in charge. Burial will be in Greenbrier Burial Park.

He died Sunday at 3:30 a.m. in a Hinton hospital of a cerebral hemorrhage suffered Nov. 12 at his home.

Born March 13, 1897 in Hinton, he was the son of the late Thomas N. and Nancy McCartney Read.

Read was a former Summers County prosecuting attorney.

He lived all of his life in the same home at Hinton. He was a 1918 graduate of Hinton High School, attended Greenbrier Military School, did his undergraduate work at West Virginia University and received his law degree from the University of Virginia in 1925. He was elected prosecuting attorney in Summers County in 1928 and he served continuously until 1972 when he retired. He had maintained his law office in Hinton since 1972. He was a member of the First Christian Church, Hinton Masonic Lodge fifty-year member, Hinton Elks Lodge and he was a fifty-year member of the Modern Woodmen of America. He

was a veteran of World War I and a member of the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Harriet Whanger Read; one son Thomas L. Jr. of Nashville, Tenn.; two grandchildren.

The Hinton Masonic Lodge will be active pallbearers and will take charge of the graveside rites. Bar Association members and members of the Summers County Court will serve as honorary pallbearers.

Friends may call at Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlors today from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. and the body will be taken to the church one hour prior to services.