

Warren Reporter
January 22, 2000
Honorable Martin Bry-Nildsen Jr.
Date of Death
December 30, 1999

Hon. Martin Bry-Nildsen Jr.

WASHINGTON — Martin Bry-Nildsen Jr. died Dec. 30, 1999, at Warren Hospital. He was 84.

Born in Chicago, Ill., he was a son of Rev. Martin Sr. and Emily Hoffman Bry-Nildsen.

He was a 1934 graduate of Manasquan High School and a 1938 graduate of Maryville College. He attended Princeton Theological Seminary and in 1942, graduated from Rutgers School of Law in Newark.

He was admitted to the New Jersey Bar in 1943 and was a partner in Bowers and Bry-Nildsen in Washington. In 1949, he was admitted to the United States Supreme Court. He had a long and distinguished career as a jurist, beginning in 1959 and ending in the Superior Court in 1980. Judge Bry-Nildsen was known for his wit, fairness and scholarly decisions. After his retirement in 1980, he remained of counsel with Broschius, Glynn and Fischer in Washington.

He was active in many civic organizations including planning, school and municipal boards. He was a past president and long-time member of the Washington Rotary and a member of the Mansfield Lodge No. 36, F & AM.

He was a member of St. Peter's

Episcopal Church in Washington.

In his retirement he enjoyed traveling with his wife to many foreign and domestic areas.

His first wife, Glenda Mae Bowers, died in 1958.

A sister, Constance Boyer, died earlier.

He is survived by his second wife, Doris Okerson Bry-Nildsen; three sons, Andrew Bry-Nildsen of West Lawn, Pa., Martin Bry-Nildsen III of Bethlehem, Pa., and Christopher Bry-Nildsen of Port Murray; a daughter, Karen McCormick of Washington Township; a sister, Grace Dalrymple of Paducah, Ky.; three grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren and one step great-grandchild.

Services were held Jan. 8 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Washington. Burial of ashes followed in the cemetery.

Memorials can be made to St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 127 Broad Street, Washington, NJ 07882 or the Washington Emergency Squad, 120 Belvidere Avenue, Washington, NJ 07882 or the Alexander P. Waugh Sr. Scholarship, Rutgers University Foundations, Winants Hall, 7 College Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1261.

Warren Reporter Portrait of late judge is set

On Sunday, May 21, at 2 p.m., the portrait of the Honorable Martin Bry-Nildsen Jr. will be presented to the Warren County Court House. Judge Bry-Nildsen, who died in December, began his law career as a Washington attorney with the firm of Bowers and Bry-Nildsen.

He was first appointed a Municipal Court judge in 1956 and became a Warren County District Court judge in 1959. He was sworn in as a County Court judge in 1973 and became a Superior Court judge in 1978, when the county courts became part of the state court system. Mr. Bry-Nildsen served on the Superior Court until his retirement in 1980.

Speakers honoring Mr. Bry-Nild-



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sen will include the Honorable William R. Albrecht, recent retired Superior Court judge; the Honorable Robert J. Muir, presiding judge of the appellate division; the Honorable William M. D'Annunzio, judge of the appellate division; the Honorable John F. Kingfield, judge of the Superior Court; and Assemblyman Leonard Lance, who served as Mr. Bry-Nildsen's law clerk in 1977-78.