JOSEPH R. FERRY

HACKETTSTOWN — A memorial service was held Friday, Sept. 10 for Joseph R. Ferry, 88, the longest serving trustee at Centenary College for Women, who died Tuesday at home in Ocean Grove after a long illness.

Ferry had been a trustee for 28 years and had attended the school from 1903-1906 when it was coeducational and known as Centenary Collegiate Institute. In 1964, Centenary dedicated the Joseph R. Ferry Music and Arts Building.

The George J. Ferry Natatorium, completed in 1961, was dedicated to his grandfather who served as president of the board of trustees of Centenary Collegiate Institute from 1872 to 1911 and who was chairman of a committee of the Methodist Church that founded the college in 1867.

Ferry had been the treasurer of the Centenary Board of Trustees and a member of the executive committee since 1956.

Born in Bayshore, Long Island, N.Y., Ferry lived most of his life in East Orange and moved to Ocean Grove in 1970. He was a retired business man with talc importing interests.

Ferry also served as a pilot during World War I.

Besides his affiliation with Centenary, Ferry had been a trustee of the Calvary United Methodist Church in East Orange, a trustee and president of the Methodist Hospital of Brooklyn, a member of the executive committee of the Drew University board of trustees as well as chairman of its building and grounds committee and an associate trustee of the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Richard J. Gates of West Hartford, Conn. and Mrs. Peter H. Bixby of Madison and a son, Donald R. Ferry of Short Hills; a sister, Mrs. Helen Ness, 10 grand-children and a great-grandchild. His wife, the late Constance R. Ferry died earlier this year.

There was a memorial service at the Calvary United Methodist Church on Main Street in East Orange. Funeral arrangements were made by Knapp's Colonial Home, East Orange.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to / the charity of one's choice.

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OBITUARY: Joseph R. Ferry Date of Death, September 7, 1976