The Rev. Leonard Lee Wright, 71, widely known minister, RD 1, Needmore, died at his home at 5:30 P.M. Saturday, June 28, 1980, after an illness of 3½ years.

Born February 16, 1909, in Eckhard, Md., he was the son of the late David Walter Wright and Lula Starkey Wright.

He was a native of the Cumberland-Frostburg, Md., area and was retired with 44 years' service in the ministry of the Church of the Nazarene. He was a licensed minister for the church and for 16 years pastored the Pleasant Ridge, Mt. Tabor and Needmore Churches of the Nazarene.

He was the first and only president of the Pleasant Ridge Camp Association and founded a number of churches throughout the Washington District.

Upon retirement and until his illness, Rev. Wright served as supply pastor of the Hancock, Md., Church of the Nazarene.

On February 20, 1926 he was united in marriage to Hazel Emerick, who survives along with two sons, Louis Wright, St. Thomas, and David R. Wright, RD 1, Needmore; two brothers, Arthur Wright, Frostburg, Md., and Elmer Wright, Willoughby, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. May Fleek and Mrs. Margaret Martin, both of Frostburg, Md.; six grandchildren and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 1, at 11:00 A.M. from Pleasant Ridge Church of the Nazarene near Harrisonville with Dr. Roy Carnahan, Dr. Ernest Grosse and the Rev. Emerson Walker officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were handled by the Howard L. Sipes Funeral Home, Harrisonville.