

Burney, Prof Wm James

d. Feb 23, 1973

William James Burney
University of Iowa Prof.
Emeritus William James
Burney, 80, 309 Fairview Ave.,
Iowa City, was found dead
Friday, Feb. 23 in his home.
Funeral services were Monday,
Feb. 26 at First Presbyterian
Church.

Prof. Burney graduated from
the Collins School and later
taught there before going to
Harvard. He was a 50 year
Mason of the Collins Chapter
and also Professor Emeritus of
the Commerce Dept. of the
School of Business Ad-
ministration of the University of
Iowa.

He was born June 22, 1892, in
Newton, the son of William and
Jane Finch Burney. He at-
tended public schools in Collins,
attended Iowa State Teachers
College in Cedar Falls, and
received his BA from the
University of Iowa and his MA

in business administration from
Harvard University.

He taught at Harvard for two
years, and was on the faculty of
the UI College of Business
Administration for 43 years.

He married Martha Gearhart
on Aug. 18, 1924, in Batavia.

He was a member of the First
Presbyterian Church and
served as an elder, trustee, and
church treasurer. He also
served as treasurer of the
Westminster Foundation for the
state, and was the local church's
Fifty Million Fund
Treasurer.

He was a member of the
Masonic Lodge AF & AM at
Collins, the American Ac-
counting Association, and
Acacia Fraternity.

Survivors include two sons,
William A. of New Britain,
Conn., and Thomas G. of
Angola, Ind.; one daughter,
Mrs. A. R. (Martha) Robinson

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of Oxford, Miss.; one sister,
Miss Alice Burney of Collins;
and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by
his wife.