

War Memorial's Designer Is Dead At 94

Laurence Hall Fowler, the Baltimore architect who designed the War Memorial in the city and the Hall of Records in Annapolis, died yesterday morning at the age of 94.

Funeral services for Mr. Fowler will be conducted at 2 P.M. Tuesday at the chapel of the Cathedral Church of the Incar-

nation, 16 East University parkway.

Mr. Fowler, who retired many years ago, was one of the best known architects in the city and state during the first half of the century.

In 1921, his sketch of the War Memorial was selected as the best by the joint city and state Memorial Commission from

sketches submitted by prominent architects.

Because of the work he did for the War Memorial project, he was named 10 years later to design the Hall of Records, which he did in 1932.

Besides these structures, Mr. Fowler has designed numerous
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Laurence Fowler, 94, Was Well-Known Architect

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private buildings in the city.

He was one of the architects responsible for the development of areas such as Roland park, Guilford and Homewood.

Born in Catonsville, he was the son of the late Judge David Fower and Mary Brinkley Fowler.

He was educated at the Johns Hopkins University, from which he earned the bachelors degree in 1898, and to which in 1944 he donated a collection of 500 rare books on architecture.

The books, believed to be one of the richest collection in the country, were the results of Mr. Fowler's life-long hobby of collecting books. A catalogue was published in 1961, under a grant from the A. S. Abell Foundation.

After his graduation from the Hopkins, Mr. Fowler studied architecture at Columbia University, from which he earned the bachelor of science degree, and later continued his education in Paris, at the Ecole des Beaux Arts.

During his active years, Mr. Fowler belonged to a number of organizations.

He was a fellow of the Institute of Architects; a former director of the Baltimore Museum of Art; a former member of the Municipal Art Commission, and other organizations.

Mr. Fowler is survived by his wife, the former Mary Josephs, whom he married in 1926.