

## Senior United States District Judge James C. Turk Dies at Age 91

July 7, 2014

The United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia announces the death of Senior United States District Judge James Clinton Turk, who died on Sunday, July 6, 2014. He was 91.

Judge Turk was appointed by President Richard Nixon to the federal bench in 1972. He took senior status in 2002, and continued to serve in that capacity until his death.

Turk was born in Roanoke, Virginia and served in the United States Army. He graduated from Roanoke College in 1949 and went on to attend Washington and Lee University School of Law. He received his LL.B in 1952 and his J.D. in 1970. He later served as adjunct professor at the Washington and Lee School of Law for two years. He was in private practice with the firm of Dalton, Turk & Stone from 1952-1972, and served in the State Senate of Virginia from 1959 - 1972.

Judge Turk is survived by his wife and five children, as well as 15 grandchildren.

Details of the funeral services are incomplete at this time.