

DEATH OF MR. JUSTICE BURTON.
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1964.

Present: MR. CHIEF JUSTICE WARREN, MR. JUSTICE BLACK, MR. JUSTICE DOUGLAS, MR. JUSTICE CLARK, MR. JUSTICE HARLAN, MR. JUSTICE BRENNAN, MR. JUSTICE STEWART, MR. JUSTICE WHITE, and MR. JUSTICE GOLDBERG.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE said:

It is with profound regret that the Court announces the passing of our colleague and dear friend, Harold Hitz Burton.

Mr. Justice Burton has gone from us, but for years before passing on he made a valiant fight against crippling disease with courage and serenity. He retired from the Supreme Court six years ago, but to the end of life he performed devoted service to other courts in the District of Columbia to the extent his diminishing strength would permit.

He served thirteen years on the Supreme Court, and I am sure that in its long history no Justice on the Court has been held in higher esteem by his colleagues. His opinions written for the Court will be a lasting memorial to him, and will long be studied as a part of the development of American jurisprudence. A deeply religious and kindly man, Justice Burton personified good will and devotion to duty.

As a Senator from Ohio and an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, he has been a part of Washington for almost a quarter of a century.

Justice Burton will be remembered fondly by people in all walks of life.

