

Albert M. Kueffner, 85, of St. Paul, ³ Minnesota legislator during the '30s

Albert M. (Abbie) Kueffner, 85, of St. Paul, a Minnesota legislator during the 1930s and a longtime St. Paul lawyer, died of pneumonia Friday at a daughter's home in Winona, Minn.

Kueffner, a member of the Republican-oriented Conservative caucus when the Legislature was officially nonpartisan, was elected to the House three consecutive times from the 40th District, which then covered the Seventh Ward in St. Paul. He won his first election in 1930 at age 28.

"He was proud of being the youngest legislator at that time," said his son,

Albert Jr. of Las Vegas. "And he was also proud of introducing the concept of having interim committees between sessions (of the Legislature).

"He was a social kind of guy who had something good to say about everything." 4/27/87 ST

As a young man the third-generation attorney practiced law with his father, Otto. In the late 1940s Kueffner was a justice of the peace in Roseville. He later returned to his law practice and retired about 1965.

Kueffner, a St. Paul native, graduated from St. Paul Central High School,

the University of Minnesota and from the old St. Paul College of Law. During World War II he was a flight instructor in the Army Air Corps.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. today at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, 507 Hall Av., St. Paul. Visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Besides his son, Kueffner is survived by daughters Caprice Glaser of St. Paul and Carol Brewton of Winona; sisters Emily Ferguson and Helen Wilson of St. Paul, and five grandchildren.