



In Coggin Park is an memorial to the WWII military casualties of Brown County who made the supreme sacrifice.

The man who silently donated the funds for the memorial was a WWI Veteran and Brownwood businessman Nohum Bernard Bunin or as he was affectionally known as "Shorty the Jew" who owned and operated The Leader clothing store on the south side of the courthouse square for 37 years.

Nohum Bernard Bunin was born in Gomel, Russia July 2, 1889. He and his mother arrived in America in 1899 to join Isaac Bunin, the husband and father, who had previously moved to Stevens Point, Wisc. Young Bunin received a B A Degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1912.

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Nohum Bernard Bunin

Birth: Jul. 2, 1889, Russian Federation

Death: Feb. 3, 1956 Brownwood

Brown County



OBITUARY

N. B. BUNIN, MERCHANT HERE FOR 37 YEARS DIES; FUNERAL IN MILWAUKEE.

N. B. (Shorty) Bunin, 66, who owned and operated The Leader clothing store on the south side of the courthouse square the past 37 years died of a heart ailment at 5 pm Friday in a local hospital. ((Known to all his friends and customers as "Shorty the Jew"))

The body left Davis-Morris funeral home Saturday night for Milwaukee, Wisc., where funeral services will be conducted 10:30 Tuesday by Rabbi Harold Baumrind in the Goodman-Bensman Funeral Home chapel. Burial will be at the Bunin family plot in Milwaukee's New Home Cemetery.

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Mr Bunin suffered a heart attack last Oct. 22. After returning to his home, 106 Pecan, he had shown some improvement in recent weeks. His condition became worse a few days ago and he was taken to the hospital Thursday morning. On the day of his death, a news item appeared in The Bulletin announcing the sale of The Leader to Levine's, along with the statement that Myron Rissman would be in charge of collection of accounts for The Leader "at the old stand."

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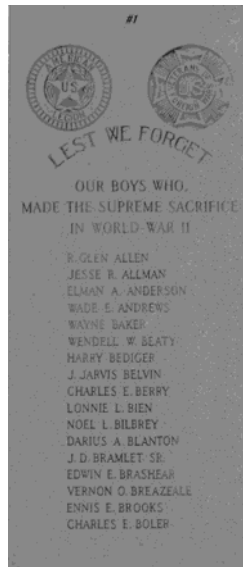
Modest, quiet and sincere in his dealings with thousands during his long business activity here, "Shorty" Bunin became a remarkable "one-man Brownwood institution." In addition to making a success of his own store in a unique and individual manner of merchandising,

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Survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Rose B Krom and Mrs. M. L. Mayer, both of Milwaukee, and Mrs. Myron Rissman of Brownwood. Mr Bunin never married and made his home here with Mr. and Mrs. Rissman. His father, Isaac Bunin, died in Brownwood in 1948. A brother, Sam Bunin, former Brownwood resident, died in the Veterans Hospital at Temple Jan. 31, 1954.

Mr. Bunin was a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.
The family requests no flowers.



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