

Leonard E. Read, 84

Irvington-on-Hudson, N.Y. (AP) — Leonard Edward Read, 84, founder and president of the Foundation for Economic Education, has died of an apparent heart attack. Bettina Greaves, a member of the foundation, said Read died Saturday at his home here.

Read, an author, educator and lecturer, began the foundation in 1946 to promote his free-market philosophy and belief that government should play a minimal role in people's lives, Ms. Greaves said. The foundation, which has headquarters on a five-acre estate in Westchester County, sponsors lectures on free-market thinking and publishes books and a monthly journal. *The Freeman*.

The author of 29 books and many articles, Read traveled widely in the United States, Europe and Asia as a lecturer. In the late 1940s he was one of the founders of the Mont Perle Society, an international organization formed to discuss economic ideas from a free-market point of view.

Survivors include a son, James B. Read of Bridgefield, N.J.; seven grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11 AM tomorrow at Irvington Presbyterian Church in Irvington. His body will be cremated.

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