

Star
12-28-75

Boris V. Timchenko Dies; Famed Landscape Designer

Boris V. Timchenko, 77, landscape architect for the Watergate here, died Wednesday in Sibley Hospital after a heart attack. He lived on Cathedral Avenue NW.

A native of Lipezk, Russia, he traveled to Turkey in 1920 with members of the White Army. He then moved to France in 1922 and entered the Grinon Plaisir Academy, from which he graduated as an agricultural engineer.

Timchenko came to the United States in 1926 and made his home in the District. In 1938 he established his own firm, Boris Timchenko and Associates. His current office is at 8401 Connecticut Ave., Chevy Chase.

HE DESIGNED the garden for the Georgetown home of the then Mrs. John F. Kennedy, a garden in Newport for her mother, Mrs. Hugh Auchincloss, and President Eisenhower's garden in Gettysburg.

For many years Timchenko was the landscape architect for the National



BORIS V. TIMCHENKO
Designed Kennedy Garden

Capital Flower and Garden Shows here.

He also did the landscape architecture here for local buildings including those of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters headquarters, the National Geographic Society and Lord & Taylor.

Timchenko was active in the restoration of colonial gardens in Virginia and Maryland and in 1967 was engaged to restore the gar-

dens of Gadsby's Tavern in Alexandria.

TIMCHENKO was one of the founders of the Russian Orthodox Church of St. Nicholas at 3500 Massachusetts Ave. NW.

While the church was being organized in 1928, services were held in his apartment. Timchenko was at various times its president, treasurer and secretary and was active in the building fund. Construction of the church began in 1955.

He also designed the church's landscaping, which has yet to be completed.

He leaves a sister, Varvara Sukacev of the District.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow at the Russian Orthodox Church of St. Nicholas, with burial in Rock Creek Cemetery.

The family requests that expressions of sympathy be in the form of contributions to the Russian Orthodox Church of St. Nicholas Landscaping Fund, 3500 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20007.