Ex-Justice Belaval Is Buried

Former Commonwealth Supreme Court Justice Emilio Belaval, who passed away Friday at a Santurce hospital, was buried Saturday at Buxeda Cemetery in Isla Verde.

Belaval, 68, retired from his post on the high court in 1968. He had been a Supreme Court

judge since 1953.

The former judge was also one of the island's leading writers and produced short stories, plays and essays during a writing career that began when he was 14-year-old.

He was born in Fajardo and attended Central High School in Santurce. Belaval received his law degree from the University of Puerto Rico in 1927.



EMILIO BELAVAL

Following graduation from UPR, he worked briefly for the Puerto Rico Telephone Co. and then went into private practice until 1942 when he was appointed to a judgeship in Bayamon.

Among his better known works are the play "La Vida," which examines the problem of man's isolation in modern industrialized world, and a group of short stories "Cuentos de la Plaza Fuerte" which was published in 1961.

He is survived by his wife, Josefina Gonzalez Sicardi; children Emilio, Jose Eduardo, Joaquin and Marisabel, and brothers Alberto, Eugenio and Ricardin.