Julius Tulipani, former Ridgefield selectman

RIDGEFIELD — Julius Tulipani, 92, a former Ridgefield selectman and president of the Italian-American Mutual Aid Society for 30 years, died Saturday at Almacraig Convalescent Hospital. Mr. Tulipani of 137 High Ridge Ave., was the husband of Lilly Hines Tulipani.

He was born in Ripe, Province of Ancona, Italy, July 5, 1890, son of the late Giovanni and Marietta Jenga Tulipani. Mr. Tulipani lived in Ridgefield since 1907. Before his retirement, he was superintendent of the Jack Boyd Ward estate, Ward Acres. He was a World War I Army veteran.

Mr. Tulipani was a Ridgefield selectman for six years and a former member of the Republican Town Committee. A member of American Legion Post 78, he served as its commander for many years. He was also a member of the Last Man’s Club.

Mr. Tulipani was a director of the Ridgefield Boys’ Club and an incorporator of the Ridgefield Community Center.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, J. Robert Tulipani of Ridgefield; two daughters, Mrs. Phyllis Franceschini of Ridgefield and Mrs. Gwendolyn Sjovall of Wallingford; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated tomorrow at 10 a.m. in St. Mary’s Church, Ridgefield.

Burial will follow in St. Mary’s Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Kane Funeral Home, 41 Catoonah St., Ridgefield, this evening from 7 to 9.

Contributions in memory of Mr. Tulipani may be made to the Ridgefield Fire Department or to the Ridgefield Boys’ Club.