

John Keillor, humorist's father, dies at 87

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — John P. Keillor, father of humorist Garrison Keillor, has died. He was 87.

John Keillor, of Brooklyn Park, died Thursday.

Garrison Keillor — best-known for his public radio show "A Prairie Home Companion" and stories about fictional Lake

Wobegon — wrote of his father in last week's issue of Time magazine, saying he suffered from chronic pneumonia.

John Keillor, who was born Oct. 12, 1913, in Ramsey Township in Anoka County, was a carpenter and worked on the Railway Mail Service.

Besides his son, he is survived by his wife, Grace Denham Keillor; sons John Jr. of Madison, Wis.; Steven of Askov and Stanley of Mendota Heights; daughters Judith Locke of Greenville, S.C., and Linda Keillor Berg of Minneapolis; 14 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.