



## Lawrence J. Rudy

Portrayed the right side of this mural, wearing  
a brown suit and hat

During Quintanilla's residency, Lawrence J. Rudy held several jobs at UKC. He was the university's fireman, watchman, boiler operator, and nighttime security officer. Since Quintanilla often worked late into the evenings, it is likely that they met during one of Rudy's rounds, checking on the campus's buildings at the end of the day. His son, Lawrence J. Rudy Jr., AKA Chunk, was featured in the news due to his unusual size and height. At age five, Chunk Rudy was 4 feet tall and 110 pounds. Chunk was a very healthy boy although his parents struggled to find appropriate clothes for him. Lawrence Rudy passed away in 1946, only a few years after the murals were presented to the campus community and the public.

Sources: *Kansas City Times*, 1 Sep. 1937; *Kansas City Times*, 30 Oct. 1940; *Kansas City Journal*, 4 Dec. 1940; *University News*, 9 Dec. 1940; *Kansas City Directory*, 1941; *Kansas City Times*, 2 Feb. 1946.