

[Parker, Amasa J.]

Amasa J. Parker, Auburn Attorney, Dies at 87

Stricken by a heart attack soon after arriving at his office Monday, Amasa J. Parker, 87, of Auburn, senior member of the law firm of Parker, Parker & Parker and second oldest member of Cayuga County bar association, died unexpectedly. His health had not been good for several years but he made daily trips to his office and actively continued his practice. The only older attorney in Cayuga county is former County Judge Hull Greenfield.

Mr. Parker was born Nov. 18, 1855, in the town of Cato. He attended Cato school and Weedsport academy, where he was graduated in 1874. He read law in offices of the late Frank Rich in Cato and the late Frank M. Parsons in Weedsport and was admitted to the bar in Buffalo in June, 1878. He later was admitted to practice in federal court and the United States Supreme court.

From 1883 to 1888 he served as special county judge of Cayuga county.

In the later years of his practice, his son, Fred A. Parker, and his grandson, Charles B. Parker, were associated with him and assumed their share of office work as the other members of the law firm.

A staunch Republican[,] Mr. Parker was active in civic affairs particularly in movements to reduce assessed valuations and to lower tax rates. He was prominent in the Masonic fraternity, was a past worshipful master of St. Paul's Lodge 124, F. and A.M., of Auburn and had served as district deputy grand master in the 30th Masonic district.

He also was a member of Auburn grange and Cayuga Pomona Grange and a former member of Auburn Lodge 474, B.P.O.E.

His wife, Mrs. Iva C. [Hoskins] Parker; two sons, Fred A. Parker of Auburn and Frank Parker of Rochester; a brother, F. Edwin Parker of Auburn; a sister, Mrs. Louise Edminster of Cato; two grandsons, Fred A. Parker Jr. and Lt. Charles B. Parker, U.S.N.R., and three great-grandchildren survive.

The funeral was at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Langham's funeral home in Auburn. Burial was in Genoa cemetery.

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FUNERAL RITES CONDUCTED FOR AMASA J. PARKER

The funeral of Amasa J. Parker, prominent Auburn attorney and a Grange leader, and one of the oldest practicing barristers of the state, who died suddenly of a heart attack in his office Monday morning at the age of 87, was held at 2:30 this afternoon from the Langham Funeral Home, 91 East Genesee Street. Rev. Harold J. Wright, pastor of First Universalist Church, officiated. The services were largely attended and there were many flowers. Burial was in Genoa Cemetery, Genoa.

Bearers, all members of the Cayuga Bar Association, were Stuart R. Treat, County Judge Kennard Underwood, County Attorney Edwin W. Leary, Sherman Parker, Harry V. Clements and John H. Sawyer.

Mr. Parker had served as district deputy grand master of the (19th?) Masonic district and was active in fraternal affairs many years.

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