

Death Comes to Myer Vomberg

OLDEST MAIN STREET MERCHANT IN YEARS AND LENGTH OF MERCANTILE SERVICE DIED SUNDAY MORNING

Started His Main Street Career As a Clerk in the Jos. Lang, Now the Vomberg, Store Myer Vomberg, 89, who lived in Charlotte from young manhood, died Sunday morning at his home, 221 East Lovett Street. He had been in satisfactory physical health, save for failing eyesight, up until his last short illness. Mr. Vomberg was born in Germany and came to Charlotte two years after arriving in New York in 1872.



Oldest Merchant in Town

Mr. Vomberg was not only the oldest merchant in years but in length of business as well. Coming to Charlotte in his early twenties he began his Main Street career in the clothing store of Jos. Lang. After a considerable time he was taken in the firm as a partner and for many years the business was known as Lang & Vomberg. When the Lang family moved east to take over other enterprises, Mr. Vomberg became the sole owner which continued until he practically retired from active work and Arthur Vomberg, the son, took charge. No mercantile name in the county is better known or more widely respected in this trading area.

Was Honorary Rotarian

A year or more ago the Rotary Club honored Mr. Vomberg at a public program in which his citizenship and business record was lauded by several local men. He had been made an honorary member of the club some time previous. He recently retired, at his request, as a director of the Eaton County Savings Bank, in fact his record in this post was the longest such service in the city and likely an all-time local record. In addition he was a Blue Lodge Mason and was quite active in this branch of the order and was a Pythian until the local order gave up its charter. In passing, Mrs. Vomberg, is a Past Grand Chief, the highest office in the Grand Temple. In addition to the widow, the son, Arthur, survives. Another son, Ralph, and equally well-regarded by our people, died May 7, 1947.

Burial at Maple Hill

The funeral service was held Wednesday afternoon at the Burkhead chapel with Dr. T. W. Nadal of Olivet and Rabbi Alfred Friedman of Lansing officiating. Both clergymen gave eloquent tributes to the high quality of Mr. Vomberg's private and business life. Interment at Maple Hill. The pallbearers were: Walter Batsche, Clyde Fulton, Paul Packard, Reuben Smith, James Church, O. E. Packard, Sr.

Lawyer Passes

ROSSLYN L. SOWERS STARTED IN LEGAL PROFESSION IN MIDDLE LIFE

Was Twice Democratic Party Candidate for Congress in This District

Rosslyn L. Sowers, 81 years and six months, died Tuesday afternoon, January 9 at his office-home next to the Lawrence Ave. Methodist Church on Lawrence Ave. He had been failing for several weeks, including two stays in the Hayes-

