

FORMER, STATE SENATOR DEAD

S. F. Alderman, One of Leading Brainerd Citi- zens, Succumbs

Brainerd, Jan. 10.—The death of S. F. Alderman at the age of 66 years following a lingering illness at the home of his son-in-law, Walter F. Wieland, county attorney, marks the passing of one of Brainerd's most outstanding citizens, a man whose life was devoted to public service for the city, county and state.

Previous to his retirement as judge of the municipal court about 16 months ago, Mr. Alderman was possibly the most active of Brainerd citizens in civic offices. He was appointed clerk of the district court on Feb. 1, 1886, to succeed A. W. Prater. He served as clerk of the court until Nov. 15, 1894, when he resigned to complete his law studies. He was admitted to the bar in 1896.

Judge Alderman was elected state senator in 1904 and took office in 1905, serving four years. He was then elected county attorney, holding that office for 12 years. He later held the office of judge of the municipal court. Two years ago he was appointed to the municipal bench to succeed the late Judge Ezra B. Smith. After a year in office, Judge Alderman retired, taking an extended trip to his old home in Connecticut.

Mr. Alderman was born in East Granby, Conn., July 1, 1861. He was educated in the schools there and later attended Hartford university. He came to Brainerd 40 years ago.

During his younger days, Judge Alderman was a member of the Aeolian and Elks quartets. He held a life membership of the Elks lodge and was an active member of the Knights of Pythias and Masonic orders.

Judge Alderman is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Walter F. Wieland, one son, James H. Alderman, Brainerd, and two sisters, Mrs. Edna Clark, of Windsor Locks, Conn., and Mrs. Nell Fie Douglas, of Windsor, Conn.

The funeral was held today from the home of James H. Alderman. Rev. N. P. Olmsted, pastor of the Congregational church, officiating.

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