

In Memoriam

FRANK W. BOOTH

( April 21, 1857 - May 5, 1938 )

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Hennepin County Bar Association  
District Court  
Fourth Judicial District  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

February 11, 1939

## Memorial to Frank W. Booth

Frank Wilson Booth was born at Bennington, Vt., April 21, 1857, and died at the city of Minneapolis, Minn., May 5, 1938, at the age of 81 years, 14 days.

He possessed the heritage of New England ancestry. When Mr. Booth was 23 years of age, he settled at Minneapolis, Minn., so that during the subsequent 58 years of his life he witnessed and took part in the development of this state to its present position.

On Feb. 21, 1893, Mr. Booth married Alice M. Atwood, who survived him; she was an ideal wife and helpmate.

He was a graduate of Yale university, class of June 1880. Prominent classmates of Mr. Booth who settled in Minneapolis were the late Louis K. Hull and Linden King, Sr.; and Dr. Bushnell, now pastor emeritus of the Westminster Presbyterian church.

He came to Minneapolis in December 1880 and started the study of law in the offices of Lochren, McNair and Gilfillan, and after his admission to the bar remained with that firm for a number of years. For 55 years he was a respected and honored member of our profession.

His death at the ripe age of 81 years was caused by an automobile accident. Less than one year before his death.

Mr. Booth made two complete trips in one day, on foot, from his office in Minneapolis to the state capitol building in St. Paul. He was a lover of outdoor life.

It was my pleasure and my profit to know Frank Wilson Booth from the year 1919 until the time of his death. His mental gifts were of a very high order, although because of his plain, quiet and unassuming manner, this might easily escape the notice of the ordinary, casual observer. His memory was retentive and ready, and enabled him to recall with ease and at will almost everything that had come to his attention in his reading and experience. His sense of honesty was inborn, innate and a part of his very being. He was a man of simple tastes, simple and direct in word and deed. He despised sham, ostentation and parade. He treated the members of his profession with the greatest respect and friendliness. He was essentially a modest man. He thought upon the things which are good and beautiful, and we do not so much sorrow at his death as rejoice in the fact that we knew him and loved him and that his name will always stand high on the Honor Roll of Hennepin County attorneys.

Respectfully submitted,

  
ADOLPH ANDERSON.

With the bar memorial to Frank Booth is this printed notice:

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

Memorial services were held Saturday, Feb. 11, 1939, at the Special Term of the District Court in Court Room No. 1, presided over by the full bench of Judges. The large audience attending was composed of many practicing attorneys of Minneapolis, several federal district judges, supreme court justices and friends of those members of the Hennepin County Bar who passed away during the year and in whose honor these services were held. Following are reproduced the obituaries as read and filed in the office of the Clerk of the District Court. They will appear here, one each day in alphabetical order, until all those filed have been published.

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