

FUNERAL OF ISIDOR STRAUS

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The funeral of Isidor Straus, who died in the wreck of the Titanic, was held at noon yesterday at the family residence, an old frame house at 105th Street and Broadway, which is one of the landmarks of early New York. In order to avoid a great outpouring of many friends and admirers of the late merchant and philanthropist, no publicity had been given to the fact that the funeral was to take place, and only the members of the Straus family attended. The services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Samuel Schulman, rabbi of Temple Beth-El, Fifth Avenue and Seventy-sixth Street, according to the simple but impressive Hebrew ritual. The interment was in the Beth-El Cemetery in Fresh Pond Road, Long Island.

It was explained at the Straus home that the funeral had been delayed till yesterday in the hope that the body of Mrs. Straus, who went to death with her husband on the Titanic, might be found, and a double funeral be held. The entire lower floor of the Straus home was banked yesterday with floral pieces sent by friends and business associates of the dead man.

An impressive public civic memorial meeting for Mr. and Mrs. Straus will be held at Carnegie Hall on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, at which Mayor Gaynor will be the honorary Chairman and Justice Samuel Greenbaum, President of the Council of Jewish Communal Institutions, will preside. The following will be the order of the exercises:

1. Organ Recital.
2. Song, "But the Lord is Mindful," Miss Mary Jordan.
3. Address by Justice Samuel Greenbaum.
4. Address by William J. Gaynor, Mayor of the City of New York.
5. Address by Andrew Carnegie.
6. Address by the Right Rev. Thomas F. Taylor, Bishop of Tennessee.
7. Address by Jacob H. Schiff.
8. Address by Miss Julia Richman.
9. Address by Charles S. Fairchild.
10. Song, "Oh Rest in the Lord," by Miss Mary Jordan.
11. Closing prayer by the Rev. Dr. Samuel Schulman.

The committee in charge of the memorial meeting consists of the following: Samuel Greenbaum, Chairman; Felix M. Warburg, Secretary; William J. Gaynor, Honorary Chairman; Dr. Cyrus Adler, E. C. Benedict, Dr. Joseph D. Bryant, Robert W. De Forest, Benjamin Conroy, representing employes of Abraham & Straus; Louis J. Chamansky, representing employes of R. H. Macy & Co.; John Claflin, Dr. John H. Finley, Justice Samuel Greenbaum, A. Augustus Healy, Henry Hentz, A. Barton Hepburn, Francis L. Leland, Adolph Lewisohn, Seth Low, Wallace Macfarlane, Louis Marshall, William G. McAdoo, Nathaniel Myers, John J. Miller, Adolph S. Ochs, George Foster Peabody, Leopold Plaut, Jacob H. Schiff, Isaac N. Seligman, Herman Sielcken, Herman Siegel, representing employes of L. Straus & Sons; William A. Simonson, Louis Stern, Judge Mayer Sulzberger, William Woodward, C. B. Webster, Felix M. Warburg, and Mrs. E. D. Jones.

Tickets for reserved seats at the meeting may be obtained from P. Stewart, 52 William Street. The Georgia Society of New York has selected a delegation to attend the meeting, and the employes of R. H.

Macy & Co., Abraham & Straus, and L. Straus & Sons will attend.

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