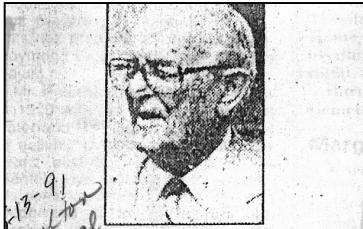


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Clem Pater, Jr. Prominent Hamilton Attorney

Clem Pater, Jr., prominent Hamilton attorney and senior partner in the law firm of Pater, Pater & Pater Co. L.P.A., of 106 West Fairway Drive, Hamilton, died on Friday, May 10, 1991 in Mercy Hospital of Hamilton. Mr. Pater was born October 31, 1906, the youngest son of Clem Pater, Sr. and Cecilia (Benzinger) Pater. He graduated from St. Joseph School and Hamilton Catholic High School. He did his undergraduate work at the University of Notre Dame and graduated from the University of Dayton Law School.

On November 29, 1941, Mr. Pater married Rosemary Albers in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Cincinnati. He is survived by his devoted wife, Rosemary; two sons, Clem Pater III and Gerald L. Pater, both of Hamilton; and daughters-in-law, Rebecca Pater and Susan Pater. His grandchildren, Julie M. Pater, Lisa K. Pater, Megan S. Pater and Matthew C. Pater; and his step-grandchildren, Dulcie Ashworth and Ruthie Meade. Mr. Pater is also survived by two devoted brothers-in-law, George J. Albers C.P.R.S. and Larry Albers and his wife, Jan Albers, all of Cleveland, Ohio. His sister, Cecilia Derivan, of Middletown, also survives. Mr. Pater was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers, B. Vincent Pater, Raymond Pater and a sister Claissa Hayes.

Mr. Pater began the practice of law in 1930 with his brother, B. Vincent Pater and M.O. Burns and continued to actively practice law for over 61 years, until his death. One of his greatest joys was practicing law with his sons for over 20 years. He was recognized as one of the truly outstanding lawyers of Butler County, whose honesty and integrity were renowned. Mr. Pater was a past Butler County Assistant Prosecutor and past president of the Butler County Bar Association and member of the Ohio State Bar Association. He was active in every phase of civic activities in the community, having been a lifelong member of the Elks, the Lions Club, St. Joseph Catholic Church, Family Services Board, past president of the Hamilton Community Foundation, Mercy Hospital Auxiliary Board, Hamilton City Club, and the Cincinnati Club. He was also a Tennessee Squire and a Kentucky Colonel. Mr. Pater served on the Board of Directors of Home Federal Savings and Loan of Hamilton for over 30 years, retiring from the board in 1981 after serving his final six years as chairman of the board.

One of Mr. Pater's many accomplishments, of which he was so proud was the installation of the lights on the baseball diamond at the West Side Little League in 1957, thus enabling young boys to play night baseball. Mr. Pater was an outstanding family man who lived for his wife, his sons, and their families. His love for travel took his family on some of the most spectacular vacations imaginable. His great interest in trains and railroads led to traveling on them during many vacations.

Visitation will be held at the Brown-Dawson Funeral Home, 330 Pershing Avenue, Hamilton, on Tuesday, May 14th from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Prayers will be held at the funeral home Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. followed by Mass of Christian Burial, concelebrated by Father George J. Albers and Father Giles Pater, his nephew, on Wednesday morning May 15th at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial in St. Stephen's Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, 1110 Kenner Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45214 or to St. Joseph Catholic Church or the charity of choice.

