

Hiram Steelman, Attorney

OCEAN CITY — Hiram Steelman, 81, a retired attorney who had served as city solicitor of Ventnor for 27 years, died Tuesday in the Linwood Convalescent Center following a lengthy illness. He lived at 9 Snug Harbor. He was a descendant of the Steelman family which settled in this area in 1639.

Born in Ocean City, he was a 1904 graduate of the local high school's first class. He was also a graduate of Rutgers University and Yale Law School. In 1915 he joined the law firm of Wooten, Harcourt and Steelman of Atlantic City.

He was an Army veteran of World War I and was a Ventnor resident many years. He became the first commander of Ventnor Post American Legion and was a member of the Elks, the Masonic Order, the Chamber of Commerce, the Atlantic County Bar Association, and was a life member of the Atlantic County Game Preserve.

Surviving are a son, James F., of Ocean City; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Eide, of Bloomfield and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday from the Wimbberg Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles Wood of Trinity Episcopal Church officiating.