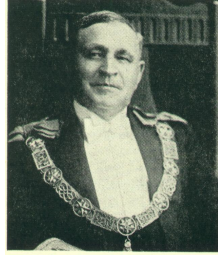


Alexander James Anderson, KC, MP

Grand Master (1935-36 and 1936-37) of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada
in the Province of Ontario



M.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson

(1863-1946)

Alexander James Anderson was born at Strathroy, Ontario in 1863. After completing his elementary and secondary schooling he entered the law profession. He was one of the first lawyers in Old Toronto Junction and the first Alderman to represent West Toronto after its annexation by Toronto. In 1925 he was elected to the federal riding of High Park and represented the riding until 1945.

He was an active Orangeman and a member of McCormach Loyal orange Lodge of West Toronto. He was a member of Victoria Presbyterian Church.

He died on June 3, 1946 at his home in Toronto.

Masonic Career

Mr. Alexander James Anderson was initiated into Stanley Lodge, No. 426 GRC, Toronto in 1893 and served as WM (1900). He was elected as DDGM of Toronto District A (1907-08). He was a charter member of General Mercer Lodge, No. 548 GRC, Toronto and served as its first WM (1919). He was a member of the Board of General Purposes (1921-1993). He was elected as Deputy Grand Master (1933-34 and 1934-35) and as Grand Master (1935-36 and 1936-37).

He was a member of Shekinah Chapter, 138 GRC, Toronto. He was also a member of Geoffrey de St. Aldemar Preceptory, KT, No. 2, Toronto.

He was a member of the Toronto Lodge of Perfection.

He was a member of Rameses Temple (A.A.O.N.M.S.), Toronto

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