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James Patten, Head of Duluth Coal Docks, Dies

James Patten, 2002 Banks av, superintendent of the Ford coal docks at Duluth and a resident of Superior for the past 40 years, died shortly after noon Wednesday after an illness which confined him to a local hospital for three weeks. He was 78 years of age.

Born at Branchdale, Pa., in 1851, Mr. Patten came to Superior in 1890, after residing for several years in St. Claire, Pa., where he first became engaged in the coal business. Upon his arrival in Superior he became superintendent of what was then known as the St. Paul & Pacific Dock company, but which now operates under the name of the St. Paul & Western Coal company.

He later became superintendent of the Boston Coal and Dock company at Duluth, and when that concern was purchased by the Ford interests, he continued in that same capacity.

Mr. Patten was numbered among the oldest coal company operators at the Head of the Lakes, and was also prominently identified with coal activities throughout the midlewest.

Mr. Patten was active in Superior church circles, being senior warden of St. Alban's Episcopal church for the past 28 years. He was a member of the St. Claire lodge, A. F. and A. M.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Katherine Owens, Superior, and Mrs. P. J. Boyle, Eveleth, Minn.; one son, James W. Patten, Duluth, and one sister, Mrs. Katherine Scott, Phillipsburg, Pa. Funeral arrangements are pending.

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