

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

DISTRICT COURT  
FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Memorial for

**JOHN G. PRIEBE**

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John G. Priebe was born and christened Johan Gustav Priebe. He was born May 9, 1886, at Minneapolis Minnesota; his father was born in Greenwood, Minnesota, and his mother in Germany.

He was a lifetime resident of North Minneapolis; there he attended grade school and graduated from North high school in 1907. He then entered the University Minnesota and received his law degree in 1910. While attending school he paid his way by doing various kinds of labor, working in a saw mill, for a building contractor, and like jobs.

After graduating from law school he was appointed assistant city attorney for Minneapolis, a position which he held for six years. In 1914 he married and by his own labor built a home at 2900 Humboldt Avenue North. He later built another home at 1616 James Avenue North, where he resided at the time of his death on May 19, 1947, at age 61 years and 10 days.

His activities were many and varied, and in the tradition of his chosen profession became a leading citizen of his community. He was past president of the North Side Commercial Club, president of the St. Petri Lutheran Church

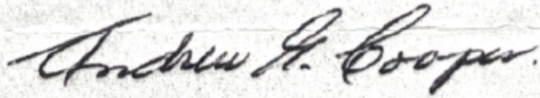
and a vice president of the carpenter's union, and a member of the Apollo Club and other civic organizations.

In later years he gave up the practice of law and turned to a vocation which seemed always to interest him, that of building. At the time of his death he was engaged in the manufacture of cement blocks.

Always a hard worker, he gave to his clients all he had. No one could ever be in doubt as to what side of any question John Priebe was on. He made up his mind and he spoke it. Active and forceful, he always made his presence felt.

He is survived by his wife, Myrtle, and four daughters, Mrs. Lorraine Battig, Mrs. R. Peterson, Mrs. Fred Stern, and Mrs. W. E. Winden, and four grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. E. E. Ibberson and Mrs. August E. Scherrer.

He will remain in the memory of his family, friends, associates and brother lawyers.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Andrew G. Cooper

Delivered February 23, 1948

## Appendix



St. Petri Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1800 Dupont Avenue North,  
Minneapolis, where John G. Priebe served as President.

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