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**rites held Monday
for Judge James
Patterson**

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James Patterson, 87, former Sixth District Court Judge died at Mercy hospital in Oskaloosa Friday following a stroke which he suffered at his home in that city.

Prior to his retirement from the bench, at the end of his last four-year term on December 31, 1958, Patterson had served as district judge for 30 years. The judge had been in failing health during the past several months but had not been confined until his Thursday illness.

Judge Patterson was a well known figure in law work throughout his district, which included Poweshiek, Mahaska, Keokuk, Washington and Jasper Counties. He was a former Mahaska county attorney and had served as Oskaloosa city attorney.

In February of 1928 Patterson was appointed as sixth district judge, succeeding Charles A. Dewey when the latter was named Southern Iowa district federal judge.

The Judge was married to Maude McClure on June 10, 1908, and the couple made their home at Oskaloosa since that time. Mrs. Patterson died July 8, 1958.

Funeral services were held for the judge at the Garland chapel in Oskaloosa on Monday afternoon. Rev. J. Riley West, pastor of the First Presbyterian church was in charge of the services. Burial was in Forest Cemetery.