

Chapel Hill Fire Chief Dies - November 15, 1931

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Found while doing microfilm research. From the *News & Observer*, November 16, 1931. Death notice (and funeral report) for Chapel Hill Fire Chief John Lee Foister, who died on November 15. He died of heart failure. He was chief for twenty-nine years, but had been in declining health for several years. (The article doesn't advise if he was active as chief at the time of his death.) His service was conducted at the Baptist Church of Chapel Hill and he was buried in the town cemetery. His pallbearers included fire chiefs from Durham, Greensboro, and High Point. Click once or twice to enlarge:

<p>received locally for charity purposes and funds received from the State through Reconstruction Finance Corporation will be combined. Money collected by local relief agencies will be matched by Federal aid to take care of the needs of the community.</p> <p>CHIEF OF CHAPEL HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT DIES</p> <p>Chapel Hill, Nov. 15.—John Lee Foister, for 29 years chief of the fire department of Chapel Hill; and one of the town's most beloved citizens, died of heart failure here early yesterday at the age of 50. Funeral services were conducted at the Baptist church, of Chapel Hill, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.</p> <p>He had been in declining health for several years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. J. L. Foister, three brothers, Duke Foister, of Sanford; R. W. Foister, of Chapel Hill, and Thomas Foister, of Wilmington; a son, James W. Foister, of Chapel Hill; and two sisters, Mrs. J. D. Lee,</p>	<p>of Chapel Hill, and Mrs. William Wiggins, of Raleigh.</p> <p>Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Albea Godbold of the Methodist church, assisted by Rev. B. J. Howard. Burial was in the Chapel Hill cemetery.</p> <p>Active pallbearers included Jack Andrews, A. C. Pickard; P. R. Perry, Chief Frank Bennett, of the Durham fire department; Chief A. C. Horney, of the High Point fire department, and Chief Frank Shaw, of the Greensboro fire department.</p> <p>Honorary pallbearers included T. E. Best, R. A. Eubanks, M. W. Durham, Paul Steed, Dr. Frank Graham, Dr. E. A. Abernathy, Dr. William Abernathy, S. J. Brockwell, Bruce Strowd, Dr. William MacNider, Paul Robinson, Wilson Lockett, T. H. Rainey, Dr. E. K. Jlyler, John Foushee, Griffin Tripp, Raymond Andrews, J. T. Lloyd, Dr. Coleman and Dr. Shands of Durham, J. B. Kush, Richard Webb and Zeb P. Council, Mr. Vaughan, and the members of the Chapel Hill fire department.</p>
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