

#### REV. RAPHAEL ADAMS

The Rev. Raphael Adams, 79, a religious functionary in the city's three synagogues for the past 55 years, died unexpectedly Wednesday in a local hospital.

He was born in Poland, the son of Rabbi Hirsch and Ita Adams, a family that traced their descent from six generations of rabbis.

An outstanding student of the Talmud, he attended the Yeshivah of Navarodock and at the age of 16 was appointed Shochet in the Polish city of Botik. The Rev. Mr. Adams came to the United States in 1907 and served in the communities of Liberty and Mt. Kisco, N.Y., and Colchester, Conn. He married the former Ida Tomchin in Colchester. The couple moved to Bangor in 1911 where Mr. Adams served at Tifereth Israel Synagogue for 12 years.

For the past 40 years he had served as reader for Congregation Beth Israel.

Surviving, besides his wife of Bangor, are two sons, Rabbi Theodore L. Adams of New York City and Abraham Benjamin Adams of Columbus, Ohio; four daughters, Miss Betty Adams of Bangor, Mrs. David Kiau of Silver Spring, Md., Mrs. Shirley Lippman of Long Beach, N. Y., and Mrs. Carol Karlinsky of Rockville, Md.; 13 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

A memorial week will be observed at 230 Washington St., until Wednesday morning. Funeral services will be held at the Jewish Community Chapel, Center Street, today at 3 p.m. Rabbi A. H. Freedman of Congregation Beth Israel will officiate. Interment will be in Tifereth Israel Cemetery.