



LAWRENCE HALL

Dead at 64  
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**L. M. Hall,**  
**ex-head**  
**of MAC,**  
*(Deceased)*  
**dies at 64**

Lawrence M. Hall, 64, St. Cloud lawyer and former chairman of the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) and speaker of the Minnesota House of Representatives, died yesterday of cancer.

He died at Methodist Hospital in Rochester. He had been ill about six months, and resigned from his MAC post in August because of his health.

Reviewal will be from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. tomorrow at Williams Funeral Home in St. Cloud. A funeral mass will be offered at 10 a.m. Saturday at Holy Angels Parish, St. Cloud.

He attended St. John's University and the Georgetown University Law School.

He was elected to the House of Representatives as a Democrat in 1934. In 1939, at age 30, he caucused with the Conservatives and became the youngest House speaker in the state's history. He served five terms as speaker, longer than any other man.

He left the Legislature in 1949 and became a lobbyist and legal counsel for the Minnesota Wine and Spirits Institute, which represents the state's large liquor wholesalers. He was considered one of the most influential lobbyists at the Legislature.

He was named chairman of MAC in 1953 by Republican Gov. C. Elmer Anderson, and was reappointed to the post through the years by both Republican and DFL governors.

In recent years, during disputes over a new major airport in the Twin Cities area, and aircraft noise, his MAC post had become increasingly difficult. He had expressed the hope that he could stay in his MAC job until a new airport was under way, but even before his illness he indicated he was considering stepping down because of the controversy.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret, St. Cloud; four children, L. M. Hall Jr., St. Cloud; Mrs. Judy A. Fischer, Bloomington; Mrs. Virginia Dobbs, Ames, Iowa; and Mrs. Debbie Weinberger, St. Paul; seven brothers and sisters, Alfred Hall, Herbert Hall, Marcellus Hall, Mrs. Louise Wenner and Mrs. Everesta Mitchell, all of St. Cloud; Mrs. Marie Wilson, Minneapolis and the Rev. Edmund Hall,