

# LOUIS D. BRANDEIS, RETIRED JUSTICE, DIES AT CAPITAL

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Member of the Supreme Court  
for 23 Years Succumbs to  
Heart Attack at 84

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 5 — Louis Dembitz Brandeis, retired Associate Justice of the Supreme Court and one of the greatest liberals in the history of that tribunal, died at his residence here at 7:15 o'clock this evening.

Justice Brandeis, whose name was often linked in dissents with that of the late Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, would have been 85 years old on Nov. 13. He had a heart attack on Wednesday and had been in a coma for several hours before the end.

At his bedside were Mrs. Brandeis and their two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Brandeis Rauschenbusch of the faculty of the University of Wisconsin and Mrs. Susan Brandeis Gilbert, a judge in New York City.

Mrs. Brandeis received from President Roosevelt a message of condolence, which was not made public. It was stated for the family that the funeral would be private and that a memorial service would be held later.

### Keen Despite Frail Health

In frail health even before his retirement, Justice Brandeis had been little heard of during the last two years, but his close friends in public and private life kept in touch with him constantly. Remaining almost all the time at his residence, he devoted himself largely to consideration of the problems of Jews, whose plight during the European war and under the Nazi persecutions affected him intensely.

More than 82 years old at the time of his retirement, Justice Brandeis was nevertheless marked for his logic, surprising intellectual energy, and extraordinary ability to obtain the basic facts in legal controversies. But his physical strength was decreasing, and after a siege of grippe in January, 1939, he decided to leave the bench where he had sat so long.

Three other former members of the Supreme Court survive Justice Brandeis, former Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, who retired July 1 of this year; Asso-

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ciate Justice George Sutherland, who retired Jan. 5, 1938, and Mr. McReynolds, who left his seat Feb. 1 last. Each is in his eightieth year.

Of the present Supreme Court bench, Chief Justice Stone and Associate Justices Roberts, Black, Reed and Frankfurter were colleagues of Justice Brandeis.

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