

Arthur E. Anderson

First District Master

1950 – 1954 (1899-1962)

Arthur E. Anderson was born in Charleston on February 11, 1899. He married Mary Alma Bean and they had four children, a daughter and three sons. Mary Alma died in 1940 at a very young age, leaving her four children, all of whom were age 11 and younger. Arthur married Bernadine

Doherty Dean several years later and they had one son.

Arthur Anderson was an Accountant, having served as the Bookkeeper for several lumber companies, including Tuxbury Lumber Company, Williams Gable Lumber Company and G. S. Carter Lumber Company. He also served as the Secretary and Manager of Riverview Memorial Park Cemetery for over twenty years.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus having joined the Third Degree in 1919 as a member of Rev. P. N. Lynch Council #704 in Charleston. Two years later, he received the honors of the Fourth Degree in the first Exemplification held in South Carolina in 1921. He served as Faithful Navigator of Rev. P.N. Lynch Assembly in 1946-'47. One of the highlights of his term as Faithful Navigator was that he had Clare Booth Luce as the guest speaker at the Annual Washington Birthday Banquet sponsored by the Assembly.

South Carolina was made a separate District for the Fourth Degree in 1950 and Arthur Anderson was appointed as the first Master of the new South Carolina District in September 1950. He served two terms as Master. With the help of many individuals, most especially Msgr. John L. Manning, he organized the first Fourth Degree Team for the S. C. District, a Team that served the District with distinction for many years.

Arthur Anderson was also a long-time member of La Societe Française in Charleston.

Arthur Anderson died on April 7, 1962.