

David Lazarov

David Lazarov, the past president of the Congregation Beth El Emeth, was born at Dvinsk, near Dvina, Russia in 1878, a son of Zelig and Chaye Etta Lazarovitz. His father was a commissioner of packing houses. He attended Cheder until the age of sixteen and then attended the Yeshiva for some time.

In 1892, he came to the United States. He spent a year in New York as a kosher butcher, and since there was no kosher butcher in Memphis in those days, he was sent to this city by the immigration officials. After his arrival in Memphis, he was instrumental in organizing the New York Meat Company which was a wholesale distributing company for kosher meats.

He married Miss Ida Wachte by whom he has nine children. Sam, the eldest, who attended the public schools of Memphis and received an excellent musical training. Joe, who is engaged in the real estate business as a partner of the firm of Lazarov and Gruber, in the Sterick Building, and married Miss Sarah Kamin-sky. Morris, a junior partner with his father in the tire business. Hyman, who is engaged in the tire business in West Memphis, Ark., Benny, eighteen, a student at Humes High School. Sidney, a student at Junior High. Ida, married to Abe Jaffee of Birmingham, Alabama. Freda, a graduate of High School and business college. Anna, a graduate of high school with honors.

Mr. Lazarov is also a member of the Progressive Order of the West Sons of Israel and the Arbeiter Ring.

Mrs. Lazarov was the first president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Progressive Order of the West, a member of the Auxiliary of the Congregation Beth El Emeth, and the Jewish Ladies Aid Society.