



## Holders of the Conference Cane

The Conference Cane is held by the clergy member of Conference with the longest continuous service in the Upper NY Conference or its predecessor Conferences (Genesee Methodist, Erie Methodist, Erie EUB, NY EUB, WNY, NNY, CNY, NCNY, Troy, Wyoming).

<u>Entered Conference</u>	(Genesee except as noted)	<u>Died</u>	<u>Age</u>
1809	Glezen Fillmore	1875	85
<i>(Received the cane in 1854)</i>			
1812	Gideon Lanning	1878	86
1813	James Hall	1882	92
1828	John B. Lanckton	1896	90
1831	William D. Buck	1898	88
1839	Allen P. Ripley	1901	82
1850	Loren Packard	1908	89
1858	Owen S. Chamberlayne	1911	79
1864	Horatio O. Abbott	1919	88
1866	William McGavern	1921	85
1868	Coryell G. Stevens	1921	83
1868	Henry F. Osborne	1929	87
1870	James Moss	1931	88
1874	Albert. M. Bancroft	1935	88
1875	George. M. Harris	1935	85
1877	Albert Osborn	1944	94
1879	William E. Searles	1949	94
1880	Fredrick F. Parkhurst	1953	98
1889	Elisha M. Snodgrass	1954	93
1899	William H. Smith	1960	88
1901	Henry H. Witham	1965	88
1904	J. Harrison Olmstead	1975	97
1908	J. Wesley Searles	1975	92
1912	James S. Wilson	1977	89
1920	Charles A. Williams	1984	91
1929	Carlton T. Boynton	1987	91
1927	Robert Horton	1991	90



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1929 Clarence Clifford Van	1995 89
1932 Arthur J. Vrooman ( <b>Erie UB</b> )	2008 102
1943 Carl M. VanderBurg	2009 93
1943 Donald E. Modisher ( <b>Erie M</b> )	2018 98
1942 L. Bradley Havens ( <b>Wyo</b> )	2020 101
1948 Norman W. Parsons	2023 97
1952 David Lubba ( <b>NY EUB</b> )	