

Dr. Jesse Lee Adams (- 16 Apr 1905)

Adams. On Sunday, April 16, 1905 at the Emergency Hospital at 1:30 p.m., J. Lee Adams, MD aged 63 years.

The Evening Star, April 17, 1905, p. 3

Dr. J. Lee Adams Dead

Chief of Internal Revenue Bureau and Prominent Mason

Dr. J. Lee Adams, who had been connected with the Internal Revenue Bureau of the Treasury Department for many years died yesterday afternoon at the Emergency Hospital from a kidney disease, for the treatment of which he had gone to the hospital three weeks ago. Until that time he remained at his duties at the department, where his record was that of one of the most faithful employees of the government. Commissioner Yerkes said today that several years ago he had occasion to look over the records of some of his employees. He found that Dr. Adams had not taken a day's leave of absence in a number of years and that he often worked on holidays and nights. He had never known a more faithful or efficient servant of the government, and knew nothing too good to be said of him. Mr. Yerkes two years ago promoted Dr. Adams from a clerkship to the head of the claims division of the internal revenue bureau, and had always been satisfied with his action.

Dr. Adams was sixty-three years old. His father was employed as a draftsman in the office of the supervising architect and when a boy sixteen years old Dr. Adams began his work for the government. Some years later he was transferred to the internal revenue bureau, where he had been forty years. He enlisted in a District regiment toward the close of the civil war and served for some time. Dr. Adams left a widow, five sons and a daughter, all adults. His home had been at Takoma Park. One of his sons, Dr. J. Lee Adams, jr., resides in California. The deceased was a member of New Jerusalem Lodge, No. 9, F.A.A.M.; Lafayette Chapter, R.A.M.; DeMolay Mounted Commandery, K.T.; Almas Temple of the Mystic Shrine, and the Scottish Rite.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the chapel of Lee's undertaking establishment.

The Washington Times, April 19, 1905

Knights Templar Will Take Part In Funeral

The funeral services over the remains of the late Dr. J. Lee Adams, chief of the claims division of the United States Internal Revenue Bureau, who died yesterday, will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday, from the undertaking establishment of William J. Lee.

The De Molay Commandery, of the Knights Templar, William F. Gude, commanding, will have charge of the ceremonies. The remains will be placed in the Congressional Cemetery.

Mr. Adams was a native of Washington, having been born here sixty-three years ago. He lived the last ten years of his life at Takoma, Md. He is survived by six children--Harry M. Adams, Dr. J. Lee Adams, both living in California; Mrs. Clarence Parish, of Chicago; Arthur B. Adams, John R. Adams, and James M.R. Adams, of this city.

Dr. Adams was prominent in Masonic circles, being a member of Jerusalem lodge, Lafayette chapter, the Scottish Rite, the Knights Templar, and Almas Temple, Mystic Shrine. He was also a member of the G.A.R.