

## Effie McArthur Allen

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### **Obituary**

It is our painful duty to announce the death, on Saturday morning, the 13th instant, in this city, of Mrs. Effie McArthur Allen, wife of the Hon. William Allen, Senator from Ohio.

She was seized with a pleurisy about the time of the adjournment of Congress, and at last sunk under its violence, notwithstanding all the skill of physicians, the devoted attention of her husband, and the aid as well as sympathies of numerous friends in this District.

Her relatives at a distance will have the consolation of knowing that no effort was spared to save her, though far from her home in the West; and that a Christian confidence in a blessed immortality assuaged her distress and brightened her dying hours.

Mrs. Allen was the daughter of the late Governor McArthur, of Ohio, and has been cut off from life at the early age of forty, in the prime of womanhood and matronly usefulness.

She leaves but one child by her present marriage, an infant daughter, thirteen months old--too young to know its loss, yet an interesting memento of her mother's graces, and destined, we trust, in time, to imitate all her virtues.

The character of Mrs. Allen presented a singular combination of firmness with gentleness. She was religious without sternness, social without being frivolous, and united all the intelligence and habits suited to the head of a family with the graces and accomplishments that adorn a high station in society.

Only those who knew her best can appreciate the greatness of the loss sustained by her afflicted husband; though the attention bestowed on her in her last illness, where she has been known only for two years, are strong evidences of the deep and wide impression which has been made by her worth in this community.

The Funeral will take place at 12 o'clock this day, from the ladies' apartments of Brown's Hotel to the Congressional Burying Ground, whence, in a few days thereafter, the body will be removed to Ohio.