

## Hiram W. Austin (17 Jan 1874 - 20 Apr 1915)

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**Austin, Dr. Hiram W.** On Monday, June 20, 1932 at Emergency Hospital, Dr. Hiram W. Austin, beloved husband of Mary C. Austin. Funeral from his late residence, 2700 Conn. Ave., on Wednesday, June 22, at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery. Please omit flowers.

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### **Dr. H.W. Austin Succumbs At 82**

#### **An Early Officer of Public Health Service, He Retired 11 Years Ago**

Dr. Hiram W. Austin, 82, one of the early officers of the United States Public Health Service, died yesterday at his home, 2700 Connecticut avenue. He had been retired from active duty for about 11 years.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. at his home, followed by interment in Congressional Cemetery. Active pallbearers, all doctors in the Public Health Service, will include R.R. Spencer, R.D. Lillie, L.F. Badger, R.R. Jones, G.L. Dunnahoo and W.G. Workman.

Honorary pallbearers will be Drs. J.H. White, Fairfax Irwin, W.W. King, G.W. McCoy, Edward Francis, B.S. Warren, J.P. Leake, C.C. Pierce and George Tully Vaughn. All these but Dr. Vaughn are with the Public Health Service and he formerly was connected with the department.

A native of Canfield, Ohio, Dr. Austin became connected with the Public Health Service in February, 1876. A prominent operating surgeon, he began his service with the Public Health group in a hospital at Evansville, Ind., and worked there through an epidemic of yellow fever. Later he went to Key West, Fla., where he worked during another such epidemic. Other Public Health posts he held were in New Orleans, Cincinnati, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, Detroit, New York, San Francisco and Louisville.

In the late eighties Dr. Austin, then stationed at Boston, aided in the prevention of smallpox along the Canadian border at a time when the Dominion was having an epidemic. He served in an administrative capacity in Washington from 1890 to 1895, and aided in drafting the quarantine act of 1893, when Europeans were suffering from a cholera plague. Since his retirement in 1921 he had lived in this city.

He is survived by his widow and a daughter, Miss Edith Austin.

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### **Dr. Hiram W. Austin Rites Held Today**

#### **Former Associates of Physician Are Pallbearers -- Burial at Congressional Cemetery**

Funeral services were to be held at 2 p.m. today for Dr. Hiram W. Austin, retired Public Health Service official, who died Monday. Following services at his late home, 2700 Connecticut avenue, burial was to be in Congressional Cemetery.

Active pallbearers, all doctors in the Public Health Service, included R.R. Spencer, R.D. Lillie, L.F. Badger, R.R. Jones, G.L. Dunnahoo and W.G. Workman. Honorary pallbearers are Drs. J.H. White, Fairfax Irwin, W.W. King, G.W. McCoy, Edward Francis, B.S. Warren, J.P. Leake, C.C. Pierce and George Tully Vaughn.

Dr. Austin, an Ohio native, served the Public Health Service in various posts throughout the country from 1876 until his retirement in 1921. Since then he had resided in this city. He is survived by his widow and a daughter, Miss Edith Austin.