

Margaret Teresa Baptista (- 11 Jun 1961)

Baptista. On Sunday, June 11, 1961, Margaret T. Baptista, beloved wife of the late John Baptista, aunt of Benjamin V., Joseph G. and Allan L. McAlwee. Funeral from the DeVol Funeral Home, 2224 Wisconsin ave. n.w., on Wednesday, June 14, at 9:30 a.m., thence to the Holy Trinity Church, 36th and O sts. n.w., where requiem mass will be offered at 10 a.m. Friends and relatives invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

Baptista, Mrs. Margaret. Officers and members of Court Our Lady of Lourdes, No. 1120, Catholic Daughters of America, are requested to meet at the DeVol Funeral Home, 2224 Wisconsin ave. n.w., for the recitation of the rosary on Tuesday, June 13, 1961, at 8 p.m. Mrs. Eugene Ysita, Grand Regent, Mrs. Raymond A. Servais, Financial Secretary.

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Mrs. Baptista, 86, Daughter of Civil War Hero

Mrs. John Baptista, 86, a life-long Washington resident and daughter of a Civil War hero, died yesterday at Marylander Rest Home, Germantown, Md., after a long illness.

Born Margaret Teresa McAlwee, her father, Benjamin, received the Medal of Honor for bravery in the Petersburg Campaign in 1864. A sergeant in the Union Army, he fought in 27 Civil War battles and was cited also for exceptional bravery at Antietam and Chancellorsville.

As a young woman, Mrs. Baptista was a soloist at St. Peters Catholic Church here for many years. She was a member of the Sodality of Our Lady of Loudres Catholic Church of Bethesda, Md. She also belonged to the Catholic Daughters of America. She was a past president of the D.C. Women's Auxiliary, Spanish-American War Veterans. Her husband, who died in 1929, fought in that war and later was a lieutenant in the Marine Band. She last lived at 2306 Tunlaw road N.W.

She leaves three nephews, Ben V. McAlwee of 4201 Brookside road, McLean; Allan L. McAlwee of 3831 Hamilton street, West Hyattsville, and Joseph G. McAlwee of Beverly Hills, Calif.

A requiem mass will be sung at 10 a.m. tomorrow at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 3514 O street N.W. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.