

Julia Wright Berret (28 Feb 1819 – 8 Jan 1899)

Berret. On Sunday, January 8, 1899 at 9 p.m. at her residence, Mrs. Julia Wright Berrett, wife of Col. James G. Berret. Funeral from St. Matthews Church, Wednesday at 10 a.m. Friends are invited. Interment private.

The Evening Star, January 5, 1899

Mrs. Berret Seriously Ill Failure of Bodily Strength Noted in Past Few Days

Mrs. Berret, wife of Col. James G. Berret, who has been an invalid for the last three years, is now seriously ill. Her ailment is a failing of bodily strength without any special disease. She has been blind for a long time, but until very lately has been able to sit up and converse cheerfully. The present change occurred during the last few days, and her advanced age makes her recovery rather doubtful. Mrs. Berret was born in Annapolis on November 28, 1820, and was the only child of John W. Bordley, a prominent lawyer of that time. In 1840 she was married to Col. Berret and came to this city, where they have since resided, although Col. Berret maintains a legal residence in Carroll County, Md.

In youth, as well as in middle life, Mrs. Berret was endowed with every charm of person and of mind, and during the years her husband was major and postmaster of this city she was one of its most popular and best beloved hostesses. She was strongly attached to old St. Matthew's Church, corner of 15th and H streets, of which she was a most devoted member, and her connection with the parish, which until lately was active in every detail of general interest, has covered a period of fifty years.

The Evening Star, January 11, 1899

Funeral of Mrs. J.G. Berret

The funeral of the late Mrs. Berret, wife of Colonel James G. Berret, took place this morning from the family residence on I street. The coffin was piled high with the beautiful floral offerings sent by friends. The honorary pallbearers were Admiral S.R. Franklin, General J.B. Moore, General T.M. Vincent, Senator Gorman, Judge Curtis Hillyer. Mr. Alexander Porter Morse, Mr. George H. Howard and Mr. C. Ridgely McBlair. At 10 o'clock a requiem mass was celebrated at St. Matthew's Church, Rev. Charles M. Bart officiating. The interment was made at Mount Olivet cemetery.