Howard Miller Davis

(-20 Jul 1919)

Davis. On Sunday, July 20, 1919, at Casualty Hospital, Howard Miller Davis, beloved son of Richard M. and Florence Davis, aged sixteen years. Funeral from the residence of his grandmother, 221 13th st sw., Wednesday, July 23, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment (private) at Congressional Cemetery.

The Evening Star, July 21, 1919, p. 20 Boy Of Sixteen A Suicide Crippled Father of Howard M. Davis Hears Pistol Shot

Howard M. Davis, sixteen years old, 1367 South Capitol street, committed suicide at his home yesterday morning by shooting himself in the forehead. His father, Richard M. Davis, a legless cripple, victim of a railroad accident several years ago, was in another room and heard the report of the pistol shot. The son was unconscious and dying when his father reached him. Mrs. Davis, the boy's mother, was in Washington Asylum Hospital and was not told of the tragedy until today.

Physicians at Casualty Hospital, where the boy died, were told that his actions the past few weeks had suggested the probability of his mind being affected. Coroner Nevitt was told of his condition and his conclusion was that the boy probably was not responsible for his act.