John Downs

(- 5 Jun 1879)

Downs. Suddenly on June 5, 1879 at 5:30 p.m. of hemorrhages, John Downs in the 63d year of his age. His friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend his funeral from his late residence, No. 914 I street s.e. on Sunday, 8th inst. At 3 p.m.

The Evening Star, June 9, 1879 Funerals

In the afternoon, with Union Lodge, No. 11, Odd Fellows, they attended the funeral of John Downs, who for many years had been an employee in the Navy Yard. This funeral was one of the largest ever seen in the eastern section of the city, several hundred of the friends of the deceased walking to Congressional cemetery, where the interment was made. Rev. Isaac Cole, of the Baptist Church officiated, and the services of both the orders were conducted at the grave.