

William Albert Draper

(- 7 Apr 1952)

Draper, William Albert. On Monday, April 7, 1952 a Sibley Memorial Hospital, William Albert Draper of 325 A street southeast, beloved husband of Eugenia Dent Draper, father of Mrs. George W. Campbell of Washington, D.C.; Addison Dent Draper of Joliet, Ill. and Donald Edward Draper of Pittsburg, Penn. Friends may call at the Lee Funeral Home, 4th street and Massachusetts avenue northeast until 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 10. Services will be held at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 3rd and A streets southeast at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.



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William A. Draper, 67, Engineer in Charge of DC Repair Shops

William Albert Draper, 67, engineer in charge of the District repair shop, died yesterday at Sibley Memorial Hospital after an illness of several months.

Head of the repair shop since 1930, Mr. Draper supervised all repairs of 178 schools and more than 200 other District-owned buildings, including police stations, fire houses, markets, libraries and institutions. He led a repair force of 225 men in some 12,000 repair jobs a year, ranging from broken school windows to major utility failures. He was to have retired in May.

Mr. Draper.

Born in Washington

Mr. Draper, who lived at 325 A street S.E., was a native of Washington. After graduating from Lehigh University in engineering in 1907, he came here as assistant engineer of bridges. The Taft, P Street, Q Street, Pennsylvania Avenue and Tidal Basin Bridges were among those he helped to design and build.

In 1915 Mr. Draper entered construction service with the DuPont Co. in Denver and Detroit, and from 1921 until he returned here in 1930 he worked with a construction firm in Detroit. There he helped build parts of the Dodge and Cadillac automobile plants. His most notable job was supervising the construction of the Penobscot Building, at the time Detroit's tallest structure.

Funeral Rites Thursday

Mr. Draper leaves his wife, Eugenie Dent Draper; a daughter, Mrs. George W. Campbell, 5306 Marlyn drive, Glenmont Park, Md., and two sons, Addison Dent Draper of Joliet, Ill., and Donald Edward Draper of Pittsburgh. Six grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday in St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Third and A streets S.E. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.