

Daniel Duncan

(22 Jul 1806 – 18 May 1849)

Biographical Directory of the United States Congress 1774-1989

A Representative from Ohio, born in Shippensburg, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, July 22, 1806; completed preparatory studies; attended Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania in 1825; moved to Newark, Ohio in 1828; engaged in mercantile pursuits; member of the State house of representatives in 1843; unsuccessful Whig candidate for election to the State senate in 1844; elected as a Whig to the 30th Congress (March 4, 1847 to March 3, 1849); unsuccessful candidate for reelection in 1848 to the 31st Congress; died D.C. on May 18, 1849; interment in the Newark Graveyard, Newark, Ohio.

The National Intelligencer, May 21, 1849

Death of the Hon. Daniel Duncan of Ohio

Clerk's Office House of Representatives, United States

Washington, May 19, 1849

The Hon. Daniel Duncan, late a member of the House of Representatives of the United States from the State of Ohio, having departed this life in this city at 5 o'clock on Friday evening, the 18th instant, it becomes the duty of the Clerk of the House to superintend his funeral, which will take place from Mrs. Harrison's, his late residence, between 4-1/2 and 6th streets, Pennsylvania avenue, south side, at 12 o'clock M. on Tuesday, the 22d instant; on which occasion the Clerk respectfully requests the presence of the Senators and such Members of the House of the 30th and 31st Congresses as may be in the city, the Secretaries of the several departments of the Government, the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States who may be in the city at the time, the Diplomatic Corps, the Mayor of Washington, and the citizens generally.

Thomas J. Campbell

Clerk of the House of Representatives, United States

The National Intelligencer, Wednesday, May 23, 1849

Burial of the Hon. Daniel Duncan

The Funeral of the Hon. Daniel Duncan, late a Member of the House of Representatives from the State of Ohio, took place from his late residence in this city yesterday, at the appointed hour, and was most respectably conducted, the Heads of the Departments of the Government being in attendance, and many other respectable citizens. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers:

Mr. Cabell of Florida	Mr. I.E. Holmes of S. Carolina
Mr. Pendleton of Va.	Mr. Bowdon of Alabama
Mr. Marsh of Vermont	Mr. Barrow of Tenn.
Mr. Marvin of New York	Mr. C.B. Smith of Indiana

The National Intelligencer, June 18, 1849

The Late Daniel Duncan

From the Episcopal Recorder

Died, in the city of Washington, on the afternoon of Friday, the 18th instant, of a pulmonary affection, and in the forty-third year of his age, the Hon. Daniel Duncan, a member of the House of Representatives of the United States from the State of Ohio.

Mr. Duncan was born in Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, July 22, 1806. He lost his father when he was but six years old. At the age of nine, he accompanied Gen. Samuel F. McCracken, of Lancaster, to Ohio, on horseback. After having been employed in Gen. McC.'s store about six years, he returned to Pennsylvania and went to school. He entered the College at Canonsburg and spent some years there. His mother died in 1822. Upon attaining his majority, in 1827, he returned to Ohio, and established himself in mercantile business in Newark, which he prosecuted with diligence and ardor. On the 18th of October, 1832, he was married to the daughter of the late Col. Daniel Convers, of Zanesville.

Mr. D. was elected a member of the House of Representatives of the State of his adoption in 1844, and in 1846 was chosen to represent the Congressional district in which he resided in one National Legislature.

Great industry, untiring energy in the prosecution of any design he took in hand, clear reasoning powers, and a sound judgment, are characteristics for which he was distinguished. To his arduous labors in the cause to which he devoted himself during the last autumn is probably to be ascribed the disease that terminated his earthly existence. His great kindness of heart and amiability of temper could only be appreciated by those who knew him well. During a protracted illness of about five months no murmur or complaint escaped his lips.