

John W. Easby

(13 Dec 1819 – 17 Jun 1894)

Easby. On Sunday, June 17, 1894, at 3 p.m. at his residence, 2027 G street, John Ward Easby, ex-chief constructor, United States navy, in the 75th year of his age. Funeral will take place from the Western Presbyterian Church, Wednesday, June 20, 11 a.m. Interment at Congressional cemetery. (Philadelphia Public Ledger please copy).

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Commodore Easby Dead.

Commodore John W. Easby, a retired naval officer, died at his residence in this city yesterday afternoon, in the 75th year of his age. Commodore Easby was a native of the District of Columbia, and entered the service as an assistant naval constructor May 17, 1866. He was appointed naval constructor, June 17, 1870, and while serving in that grade was appointed chief of the bureau of construction and repair, with the relative rank of commodore in the navy. He held that office up to the date of his retirement from active service, December 13, 1881, since which time he lived quietly in this city. He was the son of the late Captl. William Easby, and, like him, made an honorable record in the service.

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Commodore Easby's Will

Yesterday afternoon the will of the late Commodore John W. Easby, a naval constructor in the United States Navy, was filed. The widow of the deceased, Rosina M. Easby, is bequeathed a third of the testator's bank account, the contents of house 2027 G street, with few exceptions, the use of the house, and a third of the proceeds from the property of the deceased's father. It is directed that the proceeds from three life insurance policies be applied to the debts of the testator, the balance to be divided between the widow and daughters of the deceased, one-third to the former and two-thirds between the two daughters, Rosa L. and Fannie B. Easby. The rest of the estate is to be so divided, and at their mother's death, the two daughters are to be the residuary legatees.