

Martha A. Ferguson (- 28 Aug 1893)

Ferguson. On Monday, August 28, 1893 at 3 o'clock p.m., Mrs. Martha A., widow of the late Benjamin W. Ferguson.

Mother you have toiled and suffered
God doth know what best to do
Though I see your face no more uncovered
I will say, dear mother, farewell to you.

By Her Son

Funeral from her late residence, No. 227, D street n.w., Wednesday, August 30 at 3 o'clock p.m. Funeral private.

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Death of Mrs. Ferguson

Mrs. Martha A. Ferguson died yesterday afternoon at her residence, 227 D street northwest, aged 70 years. Mrs. Ferguson was the widow of the late Justice of the Peace Ferguson, who was a contemporary with Justices Donn, Murphy, Cull, Walter, Mills and Harper and other prominent magistrates of the District.

The deceased lady was born in the Shenandoah Valley, Rockingham county, Virginia, and her maiden name was Steele. Her brother, Rev. William C. Steele, chaplain, U.S.A. is now stationed at Randall's Island. She had resided for a number of years in Baltimore city, but for the past thirty years Washington had been her home. She leaves seven daughters and one son, all grown, and a number of grandchildren. She was noted for her kindness and benevolence of heart and as a close reader of the newspapers. She was always well posted in the current events of the day and was a bright and entertaining talker upon topics in general and about matters and things that had transpired in Washington during the past quarter of a century. Her funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon.