Lemuel Gaddis

(- 24 Oct 1909)

Gaddis. On Sunday, October 24, 1909 at his residence, 19 9th street southeast, Lemuel Gaddis in the 84th year of his age. Funeral service at St. Mark's Church, 3rd and A street southeast, Wednesday, October 27 at 3 o'clock p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment private. Kindly omit flowers.

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Death of Lemuel Gaddis

Lemuel Gaddis, a long-time resident of the District died yesterday in the 84th year of his age at his home, 19 9th street southeast. The funeral will be held from St. Marks Episcopal Church, 3rd and A street southeast at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

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Funeral of Lemuel Gaddis

Services at St. Mark's P.E. Church Under Masonic Auspices

The funeral of Lemuel Gaddis, who died Sunday, aged eighty-four, at his residence, 19 9th street southeast, was held from St. Mark's Episcopal Church this afternoon at 3 p.m. Rev. W.L. DeVries read the burial service. Masonic ceremonies were conducted by Naval Lodge, No. 4, F.A.A.M., of which the deceased had been a member for forty years. Interment was in the family lot at Congressional cemetery.

Lemuel Gaddis was a lifelong resident of East Washington. He was the eldest son of Adam Gaddis, sr., a Scotch-Irish emigrant, native of Newry, County Down, Ireland, who settled in this city about 1820, and was for forty-five years foreman of the galley shop of the Washington navy yard. His mother before her marriage was Miss Julia Ann Green of Maryland.

The deceased learned the trade of brass finishing in the Washington navy yard and later was appointed to a clerical position in the navy yard, which he resigned about 1862 to join his brother, a wholesale and retail grocery merchant, and became an active partner in the well-known firm of that day, A. Gaddis, jr., & Co. He retired from active business about 1872. He represented the sixth ward in the city council at one time.

The deceased is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Hersey a granddaughter and great-grandson also by a sister, Mrs. Joanna Speiser, and two brothers, Adam Gaddis and George H. Gaddis.

The wife of Lemuel Gaddis, Leonora Speiser Gaddis, died in 1889.