

## Mary Ann Gibbons

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**Gibbons.** Departed this life on August 16, 1909, Mrs. Mary Ann Gibbons, relict of John Gibbons of Mississippi, aged 94 years. Thus has passed one of Washington's oldest and most esteemed citizens. Interment at Congressional Cemetery, Thursday morning, August 19. Funeral service at the National Hotel at 11 o'clock.

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### **Death of Mrs. Mary Gibbons**

#### **Celebrated Ninety-Third Birthday Anniversary Last Saturday**

Mrs. Mary Ann Gibbons, who celebrated her ninety-third birthday anniversary last Saturday, in her apartments at the National Hotel, died Monday. The funeral will be held at 11 o'clock tomorrow forenoon from the hotel where she has resided many years. Rev. Richard P. Williams, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, will officiate, and the interment will be at Congressional Cemetery.

Mrs. Gibbons had several fads that she indulged throughout the latter part of her life. One of these was to celebrate each recurring birthday anniversary at Saratoga, N.Y., in one of the principal hotels of that resort.

The occasions were always marked by a feast and entertainment, to which the other guests were invited. Another fad was her determination to always reside on Pennsylvania avenue, in the bustle and hurly-burly of capital life. For a great many years she had lived at hotels and other places on the great thoroughfare.

Mrs. Gibbons was born in the District, and always lived here. She was the widow of Charles Gibbons. Her death was due to old age. Her apartments were always lavishly furnished, and she had as a constant attendant a maid, and sometimes a trained nurse was employed. She walked half way around the hotel last Sunday, and then went to her bed, her death occurring the next day.

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### **Funeral of Mrs. Mary A. Gibbons**

A number of old residents attended the funeral of Mrs. Mary Ann Gibbons at the National Hotel this morning. Rev. Richard P. Williams, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, officiated, and the interment was at Congressional cemetery. Mrs. Gibbons had lived continuously in the District for ninety-three years and had the record of being the oldest inhabitant. She was born in Virginia, but came to this city in her infancy.