

John J. Graff

(1866 – 2 Apr 1932)

Graff, John J. On Saturday, April 2, 1932, at his residence, 532 11th st. s.e., John J., beloved husband of Katherine S. Graff (nee Kuhn). Funeral services at his late residence on Wednesday, April 6, 1932, at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery. Relatives and friends invited.



JOHN J. GRAFF.

Graff, John J. Washington, D.C., Lodge, No. 15, B.P.O. Elks, will convene in session of sorrow at 7:30 p.m., April 5, 1932, for the purpose of paying tribute to the memory of our late brother, John J. Graff, who passed to the Grand Lodge of the Hereafter, April 2. Elk services at late residence, 532 11th st. s.e., at 8 p.m. Funeral Wednesday. By order of
David J. Laporte, Exalted Ruler
Attest: William S. Shelby, Secretary

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John J. Graff Rites Set for Wednesday Body of Former Washington Pitcher to Be Buried in Congressional Cemetery

John J. Graff, pitcher with the Washington baseball club in 1884, who died Saturday at his home, 532 Eleventh street southeast will be buried Wednesday afternoon in Congressional Cemetery. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock at his home.

Mr. Graff, known then as "Dutch," pitched with various amateur teams about the city for several years. He was with the Washington club only a short time and later went to the Pennsylvania State League, then a well-known organization. In Pennsylvania he played with Shamokin and later was a member of the championship Allentown club of 1887 -- still remembered as a team which sent many of its players to the majors.

He was a native of the southeast section of the city, and following his professional baseball career was in business in that section until his retirement in 1917.

Mr. Graff was a member of the Elks, No. 11, Anacostia Lodge, No. 21, F.A.A.M., and of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Katherine F. Graff, he is survived by two sisters, Miss Annie Graff and Mrs. L. Oulahan, and a brother, Carl F. Graff, all of this city.

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John J. Graff Rites

Funeral to Be Held Wednesday for Pioneer Southeast Resident

Funeral services for John J. Graff, who died Saturday after an illness of two years, will be held at the late residence, 532 11th street southeast, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Mr. Graff was a lifelong resident of Southeast Washington, having been born there 65 years ago. He was in the saloon business before prohibition. He was a member of the Elks, Anacostia Lodge, No. 21, Masons, the Crescent Club and the St. John's Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Katherine S. Graff, two sisters, Miss Annie Graff and Mrs. L. Oulahan, and brother, Carl Graff, all of this city.

City Directory, 1916:

Graff, John J., saloon 222 7th se, h do