Levi Emery Johnson

(14 Sep 1845 - 6 Dec 1909)

Johnson. On December 6, 1909, L.E. Johnson, aged 64 years 3 months 22 days. Funeral from residence, 1007 L street northwest, Wednesday at 3 o'clock. Private. No flowers.

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Judge L.E. Johnson Dead

For Years an Official in the Pension Bureau

Judge Levi E. Johnson, a long-time official of the pension bureau, died yesterday at his home, 1007 L street. The funeral will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the family residence. The service will be conducted by Quakers. It will be simple and marked by the absence of flowers. The interment will be private at Congressional cemetery.

Judge Johnson was born in North Carolina, September 14, 1845. He married Miss Louise R. Moffit, a Quakeress, also of North Carolina, Christmas day, 1863. Mrs. Johnson and three daughters survive. The daughters are Mrs. Minnie Lee Swem, wife of Rev. Hez Swem, pastor of the Second Baptist Church; Mrs. Lilla Bee Lloyd, wife of John L. Llohyd, of Alexandria, Va., and Mrs. Bessie May Klapp, wife of Al J. Klapp, artist of the National Tribune.

Judge Johnson resigned his position of chief of section, army division, pension bureau, May 7, 1906. Upon his retirement he was presented with a goldheaded cane by the men of his division, Wayne W. Cordell, his successor, making the presentation address. In 1867 Judge Johnson held a commission under Gen. Canby, U.S.A., authorizing him to administer the oath of allegiance to North Carolinians in the reconstruction period. Later he was elected clerk of the superior court, and then judge of the probate court. He also held positions of importance in the internal revenue service. He was appointed to the pension bureau in 1883. Judge Johnson had large real estate interests at High Point, N.C.