Ella M. Lacy

(- 20 Jan 1941)

Lacy, Ella M. On Monday, January 20, 1941, at Garfield Hospital, Ella M. Lacy (nee Twiford) of 493 G st. s.w., beloved wife of Clarence T. Lacy and mother of Miss Bessie K. Lacy and Mrs. Vera Lacy Johncox. Services at the S.H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. n.w., on Wednesday, January 22, at 1 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

Lacy, Ella M. Members of Progressive Council, No. 9, D. of A. are hereby notified of the death of P.C. Sr. Ella M. Lacy on January 20, 1941. D. of A services will be held on Tuesday January 21, at 8 p.m., at the S.H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. n.w.

Mattie Snelling, Councilor Blanche Neff, Rec. Sec.

Lacy, Ella. A special meeting of Lebanonn Chapter, No. 25 O.E.S. is called for Wednesday, January 22, 1941, at 12 o'clock, at the Masonic Temple, 13th st. and New York ave. n.w., to attend the funeral of our late sister, Ella Lacy. By order of the worthy matron

Viola B. Thompson Lillie McKenzie, Secretary

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Mrs. Ella Lacy Dies In Hospital Here After Long Illness Family Home in Virginia Was Rebuilt by U.S. After Army Burned It

Mrs. Ella M. Lacy, daughter of a Confederate soldier and long active in patriotic affairs, died yesterday at Garfield Hospital after a long illness. She was 69.

According to her husband, Clarence T. Lacy, a retired building contractor, Mrs. Lacy was reared in a house built by the Federal Government after the Civil War.

Her mother, Mrs. Mary Twiford, was left alone during the war to take care of her children and tend her farm near Norfolk, Va., while her husband, James Twiford, was away fighting the Union forces.

When the Union Army took Norfolk at the start of the peninsular campaign, Mr. Lacy said, Mrs. Twiford hoisted a flag of truce over her farm and housed and fed the troops in the hopes of obtaining protection. However, her efforts were to no avail, according to the report handed down to her children, and the Army finally burned down the farm buildings and confiscated the crops.

Protest Made to Washington

After Appomattox and the return of Mr. Twiford, protests were made to Washington and the house was rebuilt at Federal expense.

As a girl still her late teens, the then Ella M. Twiford came to Washington, and married m. Lacy, who had met her in Norfolk, a few years earlier. They would have celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on March 3.

Mrs. Lacy was a charter member of the Lebanon Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and its first chaplain in 1919. She also was a past councilor of Progressive Council, No. 9, Daughters of America.

Funeral Tomorrow

In addition to her husband and daughter, she is survived by another daughter, Bessie K. Lacy; two brothers, John Twiford of Washington, and Thaddeus Twiford of Norfolk; and a sister, Mrs. Adolph Lipphard of Washington.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. tomorrow at the S.H. Hines funeral home, 2901 Fourteenth street N.W. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.