

## Jerome Russell Lowe

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**Lowe, J. Russell.** On Saturday, July 9, 1977, J. Russell Lowe; brother of the late William S. Lowe; cousin of Mrs. Louise K. Magmer and Robert Lowe of Pametto, Florida. Friends may call at Joseph Gawler's Sons, 5130 Wisconsin Avenue at Harrison Street, n.w. (parking on premises) on Sunday, 2 to 4 and on Monday 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Services will be held at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Conn. Ave. and Bancroft Place n.w. on Tuesday, July 12 at 11 a.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery. [Washington Post, July 10, 1977, p. 42]

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### **Jerome R. Lowe, Engraving Artist for U.S. 25 Years**

Jerome Russell Lowe, an engraving artist for the government for more than 25 years, died of cancer Friday at his home in Chevy Chase. He was 70.

Mr. Lowe, a native of Westmoreland County, Md., was the grandson of Enoch Louis Lowe, who served as governor of Maryland in the 1800s, and a descendant of Lady Jane Lowe, wife of the third Lord Baltimore, who built Mataponi Manor near Croome, Md.

For more than 25 years, Mr. Lowe did portrait and vignette engraving on postage stamps and currency for the U.S. government. During World War II, he served in the Office of Strategic Services, where he was assigned to duplicate foreign currency.

Since his retirement, Mr. Lowe had taken a special interest in the prevention of blindness and had worked to raise funds to help fight the handicap.

In addition, he taught art to inmates at the Jessup, Md., house of corrections and arranged the showing and sale of art by prisoners on Capitol Hill. Proceeds from the art sales are set aside for use by inmates when they are released from prison.

Mr. Lowe also worked with the Police Boys Club of Washington and presided in the art booth of the blind at annual fairs at the Silver Spring Armory. He also restored damaged paintings for private collectors in his spare time.

He is survived by two cousins, Louise Manger, of Springfield, Va. And Robert Lowe, of Palmetto, Fla.