

Joseph Mace

(- 26 Jan 1928)

Mace. Thursday, January 26, 1928 at 11 p.m., Joseph, husband of the late Elizabeth Mace. Funeral from his late residence, 408 D st. n.w., on Monday, January 30, at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

Mace. A special convention of Calanthe Lodge, No. 11, K. of P., will be held at Pythian Temple, Monday, January 30 at 1 pm. For the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, Past Chancellor Joseph Mace.

Bert F. Baker, Chancellor Commander

Israel Sommers, Keeper of Records and Seals

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Joseph Mace, Who Drove Mail From Post Office to National Museum, Is Dead at 84

A familiar figure at the National Museum for more than a half century passed with the death Thursday of Joseph Mace, octogenarian driver of the museum wagon, which daily brought the mail from the City Post Office. His illness was brief.

For 52 years, every day, rain or shine Mace appeared at the museum door with his horse, wagon and mail bags. In all the 52 years he missed less than a month from work because of illness, and his regular visit became to be considered so much a part of the daily routine that requests have been many concerning his absence.

Mr. Mace continued to work until about three weeks ago, when he was taken ill. He was 84 years old at the time of his death. He is survived by four sons, George T., William, John H. and Harry Mace; three daughters, Mrs. Allen Macrae, Mrs. Joseph Harvey and Mrs. J.H. Junghans, and by eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Funeral services will be conducted at his home tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment is to be in Congressional Cemetery.

Friends of the octogenarian say that seven horses died of old age in Mace's service.