

Thomas B. Marche

(- 22 Sep 1898)

Marche. At Vienna, Va. at 12:10 o'clock p.m., Thursday, September 22, 1898, Thomas B. Marche aged 62 years and 7 months. Funeral Saturday, September 24 at 3:30 o'clock p.m. from 4th street southeast Methodist Protestant Church. Interment at Congressional Cemetery.

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Victim of Consumption

Mr. Thomas B. Marche died yesterday at his home, in Vienna, Va., in the 63d year of his age. He had been ill of consumption for several years. Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 1:30 at the Fourth M.P. Church, southeast, and the interment will be at the Congressional cemetery.

Mr. Marche had been connected with the Post Office Department since he was a young man. For a number of years past he was chief clerk of the free delivery system, and was one of the best known and popular employees of the Post Office Department. He had a wide circle of acquaintances and was highly respected. He leaves a widow and one son.

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Tent of Sorrow

Tribute by Rechabites to the Late Thos. B. Marche

The last meeting of Cammack Tent, No. 56, Independent Order of Rechabites, was set apart as a "tent of sorrow," in memory of a lately deceased and esteemed member, Thomas B. Marche, P.H.T.C.R. Resolutions eulogistic of his Christian life and unselfish work were presented by John R. Mahoney. In the remarks that followed mention was made of his work in Cammack Tent, the Grand Tent, and then as High Tent chief ruler, and as editor of the official organ of the order.

"His work," it was said, "embraced much that will never be told, as he was for many years conspicuous in the highest branches of the order, his connection with it embracing a period of over forty years, and was consequently one of the oldest members in America. The respect in which his tent held him prompts the suggestion to change the name to 'Thomas B. Marche Memorial Tent.'" Remarks were made during the evening by a number of members and visitors, including Brothers R.E. Swift, J.T. Hensley, W.B. Clark, C.E. Bladen, W.B. Kelly, E.W. Kirby, J.W. Jackson, C. Mills and F. Maddox.