

William S. O'Neal

(- 7 Aug 1879)

O'Neal. On Thursday, August 7, 1879 at 3:50 a.m., William S. O'Neal, aged 45. Funeral from his residence 637 - 6th street northwest on Saturday, August 9 at 3 p.m.

The Evening Star, August 7, 1879

Death of a Well-Known Bailiff

Capt. W.S. O'Neal, for several years past one of the bailiffs of the marshal's office, died this morning at his residence, No. 637 6th street, after an illness of ten days, in the 45th year of his age. Capt. O'Neal was born at Indianapolis, Ind., and entered the Union army as a private on the first call for volunteers, in the 6th Indiana regiment. He was wounded at Cheat Mountain and for bravery on the field was promoted to the rank of captain. He was appointed one of the bailiffs to take the census in 1870, and has remained in the office ever since. He was looked upon as one of the most efficient officers, and it will be remembered that he was sent up to Harper's Ferry to recapture Charlie Goodman, who jumped from a train when he was being bought here by an Indiana officer.

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The Funeral of Capt. W.S. O'Neal, for several years a bailiff in the marshal's office, took place from his late residence on 6th street this afternoon, and it was well attended. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Ames, of McKendrie Chapel, and the interment took place at the Congressional Cemetery. Major J.V.V. Vandenburg, A.K. Browne, T.B. Stahl, R.T. Taylor, A.W. Luce and L.M. Graves were the pall bearers.