## **Philip Burford Otterback**

(-4 Mar 1927)

**Otterback.** On Friday, March 4, 1927 of pneumonia, Philip Burford Otterback, beloved husband of the late Mary E. Otterback and father of Mrs. Jules A. Rodier of Lanham, Md., in the 75th year of his age. Remains resting at the parlor of Norval K. Tabler, 1328 L st. n.w, where services will be held on Monday, March 7, at 2 o'clock p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

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## Lanham

Justice of the Peace Philip Bonford Otterback, 75 years old, who only a few weeks ago was reappointed a magistrate by Gov. Ritchie, died recently at Sibley Hospital, Washington, of pneumonia.

He was the husband of the late Mary E. Otterback, and father of Mrs. Julia A. Rodier, of Lanham. The funeral took place from the establishment of Norval K. Tabler, Washington. Burial was in Congressional cemetery.

## History of the Naval Lodge, No. 4, F.A.A.M.

Philip Burford Otterback, Worshipful Master 1891-1892, was born in Washington, D.C., Nov. 13, 1852, where he has lived ever since, was educated in the public schools of the District; established himself in the grocery business in Southeast Washington in 1876, and has taken an active interest in the development of that section of the city. Received the degrees in Naval Lodge, No. 4, in 1884, being initiated June 7; passed July 5, and raised Aug. 7 of that year; exalted in Washington Naval R.A. Chapter, No. 6, Oct. 21, 1884. After filling various minor offices was elected High Priest December, 1889; was Eminent Commander of DeMolay Commandery, No. 4, K.T., from December, 1896 until April, 1898; has been a member of Almas Temple, Mystic Shrine, since the first year of its existence; is also a member of Mithras Lodge of Perfection, A.A.S.R.; was a charter member of Ruth Chapter, No. 1, O.E.S.; demitted from that Chapter, and on June 13, 1895, organized Martha Chapter, No. 4; has been President of Eastern Star Relief Association since its organization; is also prominently identified with the Masonic Mutual Relief Association, having been elected a member of the board of directors of that body November, 1893; appointed a member of the Finance Committee November, 1894, and has served as chairman of that Committee since November, 1897. At the date of the publication of this work he is Master of Ceremonies and active in all the affairs of the Lodge.