

## John Rainbow ( - 20 Sep 1868)

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**Rainbow.** On the 18th inst. at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, New York, John Rainbow, U.S. Navy in the 57th year of his age.

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### **Deceased**

We regret to learn that Carpenter John Rainbow, United States Navy, long and favorably known in this city, died at the Brooklyn Navy yard, N.Y., this morning at one o'clock.

*The Evening Star, September 22, 1868*

### **Funeral of John Rainbow, U.S.N.**

The funeral of the late John Rainbow, carpenter U.S. Navy, took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of his nephew, Henry J. Bright, Esq., on 8th street east, near Pennsylvania avenue, and was attended by a large number of the friends of the deceased, among whom were many naval officers. Mr. Rainbow was one of the oldest warrant officers in the Navy, having entered the service nearly thirty-five years ago, and at the time of his death was stationed at the ordnance dock, near the Brooklyn Navy Yard. About six months since he was attacked with typhoid fever, from the effects of which he never recovered, but gradually sank until the morning of the 18th instant, when death put an end to his sufferings. At his own request his body was brought to this city for interment beside his mother in the Congressional Cemetery. The body was encased in a metallic coffin, on the lid of which was a silver plate inscribed, "John Rainbow, died Sept. 18, 1868, aged 57 years;" and the features of the deceased looked perfectly natural and lifelike. At the conclusion of the funeral services, which were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Harris, of Christ Church, the cortege moved to the Congressional Cemetery, six sailors acting as pall-bearers, and a detachment of marines composing the escort. There was quite a large concourse of carriages, and upon the arrival of the procession at the cemetery, the body was consigned to its last resting place in a grave adjoining that of the mother of the deceased. A volley was fired over the grave by the military escort, which so frightened one of the teams in attendance that at one time it was thought serious injury would result, but the horses were checked before any damage was done.