

Edwin A. Ryther

(- 20 Jan 1875)

Ryther. On the 20th of January, Edwin A. Ryther, in the 53d year of his age. Friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral on Saturday, 23d inst., at 2 o'clock, from his late residence, No. 1016 Georgia avenue, between 10th and 11th streets s.e.

The Evening Star, May 27, 1872, p. 4

Condensed Locals

Capt. E.A. Ryther has been appointed assistant ticket agent in the office of the Orange, Alexandria and Manassas railroad company.

The Evening Star, January 25, 1875

Locals

The funeral of the late Capt. E.A. Ryther took place from his late residence on Georgia avenue on Saturday afternoon, and was attended by a very large concourse of friends, including many railroad and steamboat men. The interment was made at Congressional cemetery.

The Evening Star, January 22, 1875

Death of Capt. Ryther

Captain E.A. Ryther, a well-known steamboat and railroad man, died at his residence, No. 1016 Georgia avenue (near the navy-yard), yesterday, in the 53d year of his age. Captain Ryther was a native of Vermont, but came to the District about thirty-five years ago. He first became known to the public by his connection with H.A. Weeden in the Citizens' line of omnibuses. Subsequently he established a livery stable on B street south, Capitol Hill, which he gave up to accept a position on the Orange and Alexandria Railroad as a conductor, and he filled this position for some years. Although he made a popular and efficient conductor, he preferred steamboat life, and a number of years before the war he took charge of one of the steamers on the Potomac, and for several years was actively engaged in steamboating; the last Washington boats he was in charge of being the Lady of the Lake and the W.W. Coit. He took command of a steamer running between Philadelphia and Cape May; but only retained it for a season, when he returned to Washington and became the agent of the Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railroad, with his office on Pennsylvania avenue, near 6th street. From this position he retired a few months since to accept a partnership in the Arlington Brewery, which he retained up to the time of his death. When the new form of government for this District went into effect in 1871, he was a candidate for the House of Delegates, and was defeated by but a few votes. Capt. Ryther was one of the most popular men of the day, being generous to a fault. He was always brimful of anecdote and fun, and was the life of whatever circle he happened to be in, always having a fresh anecdote to tell or yarn to spin. For several years past he has been in ill health having frequent hemorrhages. His funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. C.D. Andrews, of Christ church, officiating, and the interment will be made in the Congressional Cemetery.

The Evening Star, January 4, 1875

Locals

Capt. E.A. Ryther of East Washington who has been dangerously ill of late with lung disease was so low last night that his death was hourly expected.

The Evening Star, Dec. 29, 1874

Locals

Capt. E.A. Ryther is so seriously ill at his residence in East Washington that his life is dispaired of.

The Evening Star, July 14, 1873

Locals

The friends of Capt. E.A. Ryther of this city will be glad to learn that he is recovering his health at Leonardtown, St. Mary's county, Maryland. When he left for that place a few weeks since he was unable to set up, but is now able to ride out.