

## Irene W. Schaub

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**Schaub, Irene W.** On Monday, May 18, 1959, at her residence, 2219 31st st. s.e., Irene W. Schaub, beloved wife of the late Edward Schaub and sister of Mrs. Rita Taltavull. Funeral services at the Simmons Bros. Funeral Home, 1661 Good Hope rd. s.e. (parking facilities) on Wednesday, May 20, at 11 a.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

*The Evening Star, May 18, 1959, p. B1*

### **Elderly Widow's Body Found**

The body of an elderly woman was found in a trunk in the bedroom of her home at 2219 Thirty-first street S.E. today, police reported.

She was identified as Mrs. Irene Schaub, 74.

Deputy Police Chief Edgar E. Scott said police were dispatched to the house and discovered the body about 10 a.m. after relatives reported they had not been able to reach Mrs. Schaub for several days.

Chief Scott said first reports indicated she climbed into the trunk herself and pulled the lid down over her. He said she was sent to District General Hospital for mental observation last March after she consumed something that made her ill.

Neighbors said she lived alone after she was widowed about five years ago.

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### **Body of Woman Found in Trunk**

Eleventh Precinct police found the body of Irene Schaub, 74, of 2219 31st st. s.e., huddled in a trunk in her attic yesterday.

They searched the home after Mrs. Schaub's niece, Marie McCull of 5406 Gunston lane, Camp Springs, Md., called to say she had been unable to find her aunt. Mrs. McCully said she last saw Mrs. Schaub when she took her some groceries on Saturday. She acted peculiarly then, police said Mrs. McCully told them.

Mrs. Schaub, a widow who lived alone, and attempted suicide in March, police said they were told. They found no evidence of foul play. The District Coroner, Dr. A. Magruder MacDonald, is performing an autopsy. Newspapers from Sunday and Monday was found in front of the house, police said.