

## Seaton Schroeder

(17 Aug 1849 – 19 Oct 1922)

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**Schroeder.** Thursday, October 19 1922, at Naval Hospital, Washington, D.C., Seaton Schroeder, rear admiral U.S.N., retired. Funeral services will be held at Congressional cemetery chapel Saturday, October 21, at 3 p.m.



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### **Funeral Tomorrow of Admiral Schroeder**

#### **Retired Naval Officer Passes Away. Had Long and Distinguished Career.**

Rear Admiral Seaton Schroeder, U.S.N., retired, died at the Naval Hospital in this city yesterday afternoon from heart disease, with which he had suffered for many months. He is survived by his widow, two sons, Seaton Schroeder, jr., and Wainwright Schroeder, and three daughters, Sarah F. Schroeder, Joanna A. Schroeder and Mrs. Moulton K. Johnson. For many years the family has resided at 1816 N street. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon and burial will be in the Arlington national cemetery, with the usual military ceremonies.

#### *Son of U.S. Minister*

Admiral Schroeder was the son of Francis Schroeder, former United States minister to Sweden, and was born in this city in August 1849. Graduating from the Naval Academy in September, 1868, he served successively with the Pacific fleet, on the Benicia in Chinese waters, on the Pinta in the north Atlantic, on the Swatara, and on the Gettysburg on a special mission in the Mediterranean in 1877-8. He served various details in the hydrographic office, the fish commission and the Navy Department.

#### *Held Various Posts*

During 1879-80 he was associated with the late Lieut. Commander H.H. Gorringer, U.S.N., in transporting from its original site in Egypt, the Obelisk now in Central Park, New York city. Later he served on the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius, and the battleship, Massachusetts. He commanded the battleship Virginia and afterward the Louisiana, during the memorable cruise around the world of the Atlantic battleship fleet in 1898-9. He served at the Washington navy yard and in July, 1900 was appointed naval governor of Guam, where he performed efficient service for about two years.

#### *Succeeds Admiral Sperry*

In May 1906, he succeeded the late Rear Admiral Sperry in complete command of the Atlantic fleet and served in that capacity until his statutory retirement for age in August, 1911. He was advanced in rank for eminent and conspicuous services in the Spanish-American war. During the world war he was recalled to active duty in the hydrographic office, Navy Department.

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### **Rites for Schroeder**

#### **Rear Admiral Buried in Congressional Cemetery**

Funeral services for Rear Admiral Seaton Schroeder, United States Navy, retired, were held in the chapel of the Congressional cemetery yesterday afternoon in the presence of relatives and many friends and burial was made in the family plot in that cemetery. Rev. Eugene B. Pierce of All Souls' Church conducted the services. The honorary pallbearers were Rear Admirals Hugo Osterhaus, W.L. Rodgers, Joseph Strauss, Washington L. Capps, and W.F. Fullam, Commodore R.G. Davenport, General Andre Brewster, and Col. Alexander Rodgers.

*The Evening Star, October 6, 1905, p. 5*

Capt. Seaton Schroeder's family closed their Jamestown villa yesterday to return to this city.

*The Washington Post, August 18, 1925, p. 6*

To the Editor of The Post

Sir: Mrs. Seaton Schroeder died July 12, at Jamestown, R.I. This news has caused sorrow to all her large circle of friends in Washington. She came of a most distinguished lineage, being the great-great-granddaughter of Benjamin Franklin through his daughter, Sarah Franklin, married to Mr. Bache.