Hazel C. Schuman

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Schuman, Hazel C. and Werner F. Suddenly, on Sunday morning January 6, 1946, at the U.S. Naval Base, Farragut, Idaho, Werner F. Schuman, CM, MM, and his beloved wife, Hazel E. Schuman (nee Browne). Mr. Schuman is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Schuman of 44 Hillside avenue, Hillside, N.J., and several brothers and sisters; Mrs. Schuman, by her mother, Mrs. Gertrude L. Potts of 3207 E. Capitol st., Washington, D.C., and their daughters, Edith, Joan and Patricia, and many other relatives and friends. Funeral services and interment will be announced later.

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Former D.C. Woman And Husband Die as Idaho Home Burns

Mrs. Hazel C. Schuman, 36, formerly of Washington, and her husband, Werner F. Schuman, chief machinist's mate in the Navy, were burned to death early Sunday when the coal heater in their home at the Farragut (Idaho) Navy base set fire to the house and destroyed the building.

Mrs. Kelsa Potts 3207 East Capitol street, mother of Mrs. Schuman, said the commanding officer of the post told her that as nearly as the scene could be reconstructed, the couple were met by "a wall of fire" as they entered the bedroom containing the heater.

Mrs. Schuman's three daughters, who were in other bedrooms, escaped through the windows, Mrs. Edith Philips, 18, her 5-month-old son and another daughter, Miss Patricia Schuman,, 12, were not seriously injured. The third daughter, Joan, 15, suffered a broken back and is in a critical condition at the naval hospital at the base.

Mr. Schuman was a native of Hillside, N.J., and is survived by his parents, who live there.

A native of Washington, Mrs. Schuman was a graduate of Central High School and began her nurse's training at Garfield Hospital, but because of illness was not able to complete the course. Before her marriage she had been a nurse at St. Elizabeth's Hospital for five years.

She worked for the Veteran's Administration here before going to Idaho last November when her husband was transferred there.

Surviving besides her mother and daughters are her step-father, Sergt. Kelsa Potts, and a sister, Mrs. Margaret A. Chipouras of Washington, Mr. Schuman was her second husband.

The bodies will arrive here tomorrow, accompanied by Mrs. Hilips and Miss Patricia Schuman. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.