

## John Selden

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**Selden.** Wednesday, August 29, 1923, at his residence, 2023 Eye st. n.w., John Selden, in his 80th year. Funeral from the chapel of W.R. Speare Co., 1208 H st. n.w., Friday, August 31 at 2:30 p.m.

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### **Prominent Lawyer and Veteran Dies**

#### **John Selden One of Best Known Legal Authorities in Washington**

John Selden, Confederate veteran, and prominent lawyer in this city for many years, died yesterday in his eightieth year, at his home, 2023 I street northwest. He had been in ill health for the past two months.

Mr. Selden was born in Virginia and left school at the age of seventeen to enlist with the Confederate forces. He served throughout the war and was in many of the important engagements. Most of the time he was in the cavalry.

Coming to Washington at the close of the war, Mr. Selden began the study of law, and was graduated from Columbian University here. He was admitted to the bar more than fifty years ago, and became one of its foremost members. For many years he was counsel for the Riggs Bank. He continued his practice both here and in Richmond, Va., up to recent years when he was forced to relax his activities on account of poor health.

He was a former member of the Metropolitan Club, and belonged to the local camp of confederate veterans.

He is survived by no near relatives. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at W.R. Speare's undertaking establishment. Interment will be in Congressional cemetery.

*The Washington Post, August 31, 1923, p. 3*

### **Rites Today For John Selden**

#### **Confederate Veteran and Lawyer Dies at Age of 80**

Funeral services for John Selden, confederate veteran, who died Wednesday in his home, 2023 I street northwest, will be held this afternoon in the undertaking establishment of W.R. Speare. Interment will be in Congressional cemetery.

Mr. Selden, who was 80 years old, had been ill two months. Until recently he was engaged in the practice of law. He was born in Virginia, and left school there when 17 years old to enter the Confederate army. Coming to Washington shortly after the war, he entered Columbia university, and was graduated from the law school. For many years he was counsel for the Riggs bank.