

## George C. Shaffer

(1876 – 15 Nov 1947)

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**Shaffer, George C.** Suddenly, on Saturday, November 15, 1947, George C. Shaffer, beloved father of Clarence Shaffer; brother of Miss Lola Shaffer, Mrs. Maude Crown and Mr. Arthur Shaffer, Mrs. Maude Crown and Mr. Arthur Shaffer. Remains resting at Hysong's Funeral Home, 1300 N st. n.w., until 11 a.m. Tuesday, November 18, thence to the Church of the Epiphany, 1317 G st. n.w., where services will be held at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

**Shaffer, George C.** Members of the Association of the Oldest Inhabitants are notified that George C. Shaffer died on Saturday, November 15, 1947. Remains resting at Hysong's Funeral Home, 1300 N st. n.w. Services at the Church of the Epiphany, 1317 G st. n.w., on Tuesday, November 18, at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

John Clagett Proctor, Pres.

Orrin J. Davy, Sec'y.

**Shaffer, George C.** Washington Lodge, No. 15, B.P.O. Elks, will convene in session of sorrow at 8:45 p.m. Monday, November 17, 1947, to pay tribute to the memory of our late brother, George C. Shaffer, enrolled May 6, 1914, died November 15, 1947. Elks' services at Hysong' Funeral Home, 1300 N st. n.w., at 9:15 p.m. Attest:

L.M. Young, Secretary

Order of: C.W. McLaughlin, Exalted Ruler

**Shaffer, George C.** A special communication of St. John's Lodge, No. 11, F.A.A.M., will be held at the Masonic temple, 13th and New York ave. n.w., on Tuesday, November 18, at 1:15 p.m., for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, George C. Shaffer.

John D. Torrey, Worshipful Master

Attest: John J. Barnes, Jr., Sec'y.

**Shaffer, George C.** Officers and members of Columbia Lodge No. 126, Loyal Order of Moose, are notified of the death of Brother George C. Shaffer. Remains resting at Hysong's Funeral Home, 1800 N st. n.w. Interment Congressional Cemetery on Tuesday, November 18, at 2 p.m.

John J. McKenna, Governor

Gerald D. Godrout, Secy.

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### **George C. Shaffer, 71, Florist for 50 Years, Falls Dead at Hotel**

George C. Shaffer, Washington florist for nearly half a century, fell dead last night as he stepped from an elevator in the Kennedy-Warren apartment hotel after a visit with friends. Mr. Shaffer, 71, had left Doctors Hospital only last Wednesday, after spending a month there.

Dr. Joseph T. O'Hanlon, resident physician at Doctors Hospital, and Dr. Clayton Hawfield, Mr. Shaffer's family physician, were called to the scene. Mr. Shaffer was pronounced dead by Dr. O'Hanlon.

Mr. Shaffer was born in Oxon Hill, Md., and moved to Washington as a child. He first entered the florist business in 1900 and he had operated the store at 900 Fourteenth street N.W., for many years.

Mr. Shaffer was active in the Washington Board of Trade, the Scottish Rite Masons, the Elks, Odd Fellows and the Association of Oldest Inhabitants and was a member of the Congressional Country Club. He had been in poor health for the past four years and twice had been hospitalized this year.

Mr. Shaffer is survived by one son, Clarence J. Shaffer, secretary-treasurer of the business his father headed. He lives at 2730 Wisconsin avenue N.W.

Also surviving are two sisters, Miss Lola Shaffer of 1803 Biltmore street N.W., and Mrs. Maude Crown of 7 Girard street N.E., and by one brother, Arthur Shaffer, 3311 Forty-sixth street S.E.

Mr. Shaffer's first wife died in 1916. He remarried in 1925 and his second wife died in 1936.

The body is at Hysong's funeral home, 1300 N street N.W.

*The Evening Star, November 17, 1947, p. A12*

#### **Funeral Services Tomorrow For George C. Shaffer**

Funeral services for George C. Shaffer, 71, Washington florist for nearly half a century, will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow at the Church of the Epiphany, 1317 G street N.W. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Mr. Shaffer fell dead Saturday night as he stepped from an elevator in the Kennedy-Warren Apartments after visiting friends. He had left Doctors Hospital last Wednesday after spending a month there.

He entered the florist business in 1900 and had operated the store at 900 Fourteenth street N.W. for many years. Mr. Shaffer lived at the Burlington Hotel.

Survivors are a son, Clarence J. Shaffer, 2730 Wisconsin avenue N.W., secretary-treasurer of George C. Shaffer, Inc.; two sisters, Miss Lola Shaffer, 1803 Biltmore street N.W.; Mrs. Maude Crown, 9 Girard street N.E., and a brother, Arthur J. Shaffer, 1133 Forty-sixth street S.E., proprietor of the Shaffer Flower Shop at 615 Pennsylvania avenue S.E.

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#### **George C. Shaffer Dies at 71; District Florist Since 1900**

Funeral services for George C. Shaffer, 71, Washington florist since 1900, will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. at the Church of the Epiphany, 1317 G st. n.w. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Mr. Shaffer died Saturday about 10:05 p.m. in the lobby of the Kennedy Warren apartment hotel, after he left a friend who he had been visiting. Mr. Shaffer had been in poor health for the past four years and had been released from Doctors Hospital last Wednesday, after a month's illness. He lived at the Burlington Hotel, 1120 Vermont ave. n.w.

An active participant in District civic organizations, Mr. Shaffer was a charter member of the Congressional Country Club and the District Kiwanis Club. He was also a member of the Washington Board of Trade, the Elks, Scottish Rite Masons, Odd fellows and the Association of Oldest Inhabitants.

Mr. Shaffer is survived by his son, Clarence J. Shaffer, of 2730 Wisconsin ave. n.w., who is secretary-treasurer of the florist business. Mr. George Shaffer's first wife died in 1916. His second wife, whom he married in 1925, died in 1936.

He is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Maud Crown, and Miss Lola Shaffer, and a brother, Arthur J. Shaffer, all of Washington.