

## Hanse H. Smith

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### **Funeral of Hanse H. Smith**

#### **Was Formerly Guard at Jail and Died at Hampton, Va.**

The funeral of Hanse H. Smith, who was a guard at the District jail for a number of years took place this afternoon from the undertaking establishment of J.H. Bradley, 443 7th street southwest. His death occurred in the Hampton Soldiers' Home last Friday. The deceased was well known in this city, having been connected with the Grand Army and the Washington Lodge of Elks. Members of the latter organization made arrangements for his funeral and had Undertaker Bradley take charge of the body yesterday morning upon its arrival on the steamer from Old Point.

Mr. Smith was sixty-eight years old at the time of his death. He served with distinction throughout the war and spent about ten years of his life as a guard at the jail. During the latter service, it is stated, he participated in the execution of about twenty murderers, having actually sprung the trap that many times. His wife died about two years ago and he afterward went to the institution at Hampton. His body was interred besides the remains of his wife in Congressional cemetery.