

James S. Smith

(- 25 Jun 1898)

Smith. Suddenly at 11:30 p.m., Saturday, June 25, 1898, James S. Smith, aged 50 years 2 months 25 days. Funeral from his late residence, No. 80 I street northeast, Tuesday, June 28, 4 p.m. Friends respectfully invited. Comrades of Farragut Post G.A.R. please attend.

The Evening Star, June 27, 1898

James S. Smith Dead

Employee of Government Printing Office and Union Veteran

Mr. James S. Smith, a stereotyper at the government printing office and for many years secretary of the Stereotypers' Union of this city, died Saturday night at 11:30 o'clock at his home, No. 80 I street northeast. Mr. Smith has been a sufferer from rheumatism for a number of years, and this disease was the direct cause of his death. He was fifty-two years of age and leaves a widow and one son.

Mr. Smith was a talented singer and for many years had charge of the choir of Christ Church southeast. He was connected with the government printing office for twenty years and was one of the best-known members of the stereotyping fraternity in the country. The funeral will take place from his late residence tomorrow, the services being in charge of Farragut Post, G.A.R., of which the deceased was a member.

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Obituary

Smith.

We are once more in a brief period of time, called upon to mourn the loss of another fellow-workman, suddenly called from our midst by that Omnipotent Power from whom there is no appeal.

While the deceased was not a member of our union, yet he was bound to us by ties of fraternity and closely affiliated with us in craftsmanship, we as a body mourn his loss.

As fellow-workmen we extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family, partly realizing from our own feelings what theirs must be.

A conscientious workman wherever placed; prominent in the councils of his craft; true and faithful in the performance of the many duties intrusted to him; a kind and indulgent father, a loving husband, a God-fearing man, and a patriot of his country in its time of need, we feel that in the death of James S. Smith we suffer a loss almost irreparable but realize at the same time that he surely has gone to his heavenly reward and it will be said to him: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Wm. J. Hart

Arthur J. Williams

Charles J. Kirby

Electrotype, Molders and Finishers Union No. 15, I.T.U.

The Evening Star, June 29, 1898

Obituary

Resolutions of Respect

At a special meeting of Stereotypers' Union, No. 19, I.T.U., held last Monday evening, the 27th instant, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His dispensations to remove our former friend and companion, James S. Smith, from this sphere of life, and while that summons was sudden and unexpected, there was a mercy in it, and that while regretting, we bow in submission to that Supreme Will who ordereth all things well.

In the sudden death of our friend his associates and the members of this union have lost an earnest and faithful worker from the day of its organization, and we desire to put upon record our appreciation of his worth and untiring services, and to this end be it,

Resolved by the members of Stereotypers' Union, No. 19, I.T.U., in special meeting assembled, That we do hereby express our deep regret at our sudden loss and extend to his widow and family our heartfelt sympathy. Be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the proceedings of our regular meetings and that an engrossed copy be sent to his widow and that the same be published in two of the daily papers of the city and the Typographical Journal.

W.S. Whitmore

Thomas McCarty

William J. Slater

W.H. Parker

George H. Thayer

Com. On Resolution

A. Thomas Campbell, President

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War Veteran and Old Employe of Government Printing Office

James S. Smith, who was a stereotyper in the Government Printing Office, died suddenly about 11:30 o'clock on Saturday night, at his residence, 80 I street northeast. Mr. Smith had been afflicted with rheumatism for several years, and died of the disease. He was fifty-two years of age, and for many years had charge of the choir at Christ Church, southeast. He was a talented singer.

Mr. Smith was Secretary of the local organization of the stereotypers, and well and favorably known among the fraternity. He had been employed at the Government Printing Office for more than twenty years. The funeral will take place from his late residence tomorrow. The services will be in charge of Farragut post, G.A.R., of which the deceased was a member, he having served during the war. He leaves a widow and one son.