

Thomas C. Smith

(16 Aug 1842 – 23 Jul 1913)

Smith. At 3 o'clock p.m., Wednesday, July 23, 1913 at 1133 12th street southwest after a brief illness, Dr. Thomas C. Smith in the 71st year of his age. Funeral service at 2 o'clock Friday, July 25 at McKendree M.E. Church, Massachusetts near 9th street northwest.

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Death of Dr. Smith; Resident Many Years For More Than Half Century Practicing Physician Here Senate Page in Youth

Dr. Thomas C. Smith, for more than a half a century a practicing physician in this city, died at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his home, 1133 12th street northwest, as the result of an acute digestive disorder. Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at McKendree M.E. Church, Massachusetts avenue near 9th street. Interment will be in Congressional cemetery.



Dr. Thomas C. Smith

Dr. Smith was born in this city August 16, 1842, and at the age of seventeen years was appointed a page in the United States Senate, where he served with the late Senator Gorman, who was then a page. He attended the local public schools and later was a student at Gonzaga College. His medical education was received at Georgetown University Medical School, from which he was graduated in 1864. Just before the close of the civil war Dr. Smith served as a volunteer in the Army Medical Corps.

Second Oldest Member of Society

Dr. Smith was second oldest member of the District of Columbia Medical Society. He served as its president for one term and for thirty-five years had been its corresponding secretary. He was a trustee of Emergency Hospital when he died. He was president of the Obstetrical and Gynecological Society from 1897 to 1899, and was consulting physician in obstetrical cases at Freedmen's and other hospitals. He had been a trustee of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., for seventeen years, and was president of the board of trustees of the Methodist Home for the Aged.

Dr. Smith is survived by a son, Dr. Hugh M. Smith, commissioner of fisheries, and a daughter, Miss Alice C. Smith. Dr. Smith's wife died four years ago. She was Miss Cornelia F. Hazard of this city.

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Funeral of Dr. Smith

Physicians Bear Body of Venerable Practitioner to the Grave

Funeral services for Dr. Thomas C. Smith were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at McKendree M.E. Church, Massachusetts avenue near 9th street northwest. Interment was in Congressional cemetery. The services were attended by many physicians. Dr. Smith having engaged in the active practice of medicine in this city for more than fifty years. The pallbearers, all of whom were physicians, were:

Honorary--George N. Acker, E.A. Balloch, W.P. Carr, G. Wythe Cook, C.W. Franzoni, D.S. Lamb, D. Olin Leech and T.N. McLaughlin. Active--Wade H. Atkinson, Johnson Eliot, William T. Gill, H.C. Macatee, E.P. Magruder and D.W. Prentiss.

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Tribute To Dr. Smith

Woman Physicians Lament Death of the Veteran Practitioner

A resolution of tribute to Dr. Thomas C. Smith who died Wednesday after having practiced medicine in this city for more than fifty years, was adopted at a meeting of the Women's Medical Society last night.

It sets forth, "That the members of the society, who knew Dr. Smith as a colleague and friend, desire to pay tribute to his unswerving fidelity to duty: to his unfailing courtesy of demeanor to his associates in the profession, and to his loyalty to those who sought his aid in distress and suffering."

The committee appointed to make public the resolution was composed of Dr. Louise M. Blake, Dr. Phoebe R. Norris and Dr. M. Louise Strobel.