

Julia A. Smoot (- 8 Jul 1901)

Smoot. On July 8, 1901 at 11:30 p.m., Julia A., widow of Joseph Smoot. Funeral from her late residence, 63 K street n.e., Wednesday, July 10 at 4 p.m.

Harry Wright Newman, *The Smoots of Maryland and Virginia, Washington, D.C.*, 1936, p. 34

During the Civil War residence in Washington was not safe for Confederate sympathizers, consequently Mrs. Smoot leased her residence and retired to her mother's plantation in Prince Georges County, Maryland. The leasee sub-let to the Federal Government which housed from time to time in the 21-room mansion thousands of ex-slaves. And true to the race they destroyed entirely the hand-carved wood work, the frescoing, and other interior features for which the house was noted. Mrs. Smoot lived to celebrate her eightieth birthday and departed on July 8, 1901