

William Henry St. John

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St. John. On Saturday, April 7, 1883 at 9:50 a.m., William Henry St. John in the 43d year of his age. Funeral from his late residence, No. 18, 9th street northeast, Tuesday, April 10 at 3 p.m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

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Funeral of a Senate Official

The funeral of the late William H.H. St. John took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, No. 18 Ninth street southeast, and was largely attended by the relatives and friends. The services were conducted by Rev. Wilford Downs, of Waugh chapel, assisted by Rev. Mr. Ingersoll, of the Metropolitan Baptist Church. The floral tributes were profuse and magnificent. The employes of the Senate called in a body and presented a beautiful anchor, composed of carnations, pinks, lilies, tea roses and myrtle. The botanical gardens sent a beautiful wreath composed mostly of japonicas. Captain Albaugh, of the Capitol police, also sent a beautiful wreath. The body was enclosed in a handsome walnut casket, with silver bars and trimmings Masonic emblems being placed on its sides. The pall-bearers were Messrs. George T. Basset, W.W. Price, J.C. Taylor, W.W. Nottingham, C.S. Price and George H. Miller. The remains were conducted to the Congressional cemetery, where they were interred with full Masonic ceremony by the Washington Royal Arch chapter, No. 2, and the Lebanon lodge, No. 7. Mr. St. John's death was very sudden and totally unexpected, as up to within a few hours of his death he was supposed to be greatly improving. He was an employe of the Senate for twenty-seven years, having charge of the storeroom in which are deposited for safe-keeping the valuable effects of Senators during the recess.