

## James R. Streett

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### **Death of James F. Streett Old Resident of Capitol Hill Passes Away Funeral Tomorrow**

The death of James R. Streett occurred at his residence, 1005 East Capitol street, Saturday afternoon at 5:20 o'clock from heart disease and complications resulting from that ailment, his illness covering a period of three months. Mr. Streett was 73 years of age, a son of the late John C. and Mary A. Streett of Baltimore, Md., where he spent his boyhood days, being a playmate of the Booth boys and the late John Sleeper Clarke. In the basement and summer house of the Streett home, in Baltimore, according to season, the Booths, Clarke and the boys in the neighborhood produced amateur plays, the companions being the spectators.

At an early age Mr. Streett's talents turned to mechanics. He entered the government service at the Washington Navy Yard in 1861, and passed through various grades until he was made master mechanic, in charge of the tool shop and other branches of the work at the naval gun factory.

A few years ago Mr. Streett accepted a position to superintend some special work for companies manufacturing arms at Boston, Mass., and New Haven, Conn. When that assignment was finished he returned to the Washington Navy Yard, Mr. Streett's wide knowledge and his close attention to all details pertaining to the intricate work that came under his supervision made his services valuable to the government, and his opinion and advice were often sought by officers stationed at the Navy Yard.

Some of Mr. Street's patents are in use by the government and are said to have resulted in great economy and efficiency in the line of work to which they applied. His uniform courtesy and willingness to assist by his knowledge and skill the men under him, as well as officials who sought his aid, endeared him to all who associated with him at the naval gun factory. He had a wide circle of friends who, with his relatives, mourn his death. Mr. Streett leaves a widow, Mrs. Margaret Streett; two brothers, Charles W. Streett and John W. Streett of Baltimore, and a sister, Mrs. J.F. Bergen of Petersburg, Ill. The funeral will occur at 3 p.m. tomorrow from the late residence, 1005 East Capitol street. Hope Lodge, No. 20, F.A.A.M. of which Mr. Streett was a member, will conduct services at Congressional Cemetery.