

Eugenia B. Tabler **(1826 – 13 Apr 1900)**

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Mrs. Tabler's Funeral

Was Prominent as Army Nurse During Civil War

The funeral of Mrs. Eugenia B. Tabler took place this morning from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. S.K. Pettingale, No. 922 B street southwest, and the services, conducted by Rev. Dr. S.H. Greene, were attended by a large number of relatives and friends, including delegations from the Potomac Relief Corps, G.A.R., and the Army Nurses' Association, respectively. The casket was draped with the national colors, and there were many floral tributes.

Mrs. Tabler was a native of Alexandria, Va., and the sister of Edwin H. King, who died a few weeks since, and Norval W. King, for many years a clerk in the War Department. She lived to the age of 75 years, surviving her husband, Jacob Tabler, over fifteen years. Four sons and two daughters -- Edwin H., Wm. D., Norval T. and Jacob Tabler and Mrs. S.K. Pettingale and Miss Elizabeth D. Tabler, with thirteen grandchildren, some of them grown -- survive her. Mrs. Tabler and her brother, E.H. King, were both prominent choir leaders in the ante-bellum days. Possessing a fine contralto voice, she was prominent in musical circles of both Washington and Baltimore.

The family were at the early part of the war residing at the corner of 13th and G streets, and when, after the battle of Bull Run, some of the churches, including the First Baptist on the site of the present Builders' Exchange, were taken for hospitals Mrs. Tabler was one of the first to volunteer her services as a nurse and was employed here and at the Carver Hospital till the close of the war. Her services as nurse were recognized by Congress, a bill having been passed giving her a pension. Her bright, sunny disposition, with her Christian graces, made her a model nurse. She opened her house on many occasions to the sick and the wounded, giving her whole time and means to the cause. She was a charter member of both Potomac Relief Corps and of the Army Nurses' Association.

The interment was at Congressional Cemetery and the pallbearers were selected from among her grandchildren and other relatives.