

Marian L. Tait **(- 19 Mar 1890)**

Tait. Suddenly at 9:25 a.m., March 19, 1890, Marian L., wife of James A. Tait, in her 74th year. Funeral from her late residence, 16 Third street southeast, Friday, March 22, 1890, at 2 p.m. Friends and relatives invited.

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A Golden Wedding

Last evening there was a gay party at the residence of Col. And Mrs. James A. Tait, No. 16 3d street southwest. The occasion was the celebration of the golden wedding of the well-preserved old couple, and it brought together quite a number of the older residents of East Washington, as well as many nephews and nieces and some grandchildren. Col. Tait told the story of the courtship of fifty years ago, which led to Miss Marion Beck becoming Mrs. Tait, the uncle of the latter, Rev. Dr. Laurie, having performed the ceremony. Among the guests were Mrs. Thomas Scrivener, now in her eighty-third year, whose husband is now eighty-five, was too feeble to attend. Inquiries were made for the colonel's old school master, Mr. Alexander McCormick, now living over the Eastern Branch. The bride had one of the short, stubby, one-button gloves in which she had been married, as also the high satin stock worn by the colonel when they joined their fortunes. The bride stated that the colonel at that time was twenty-four and she was twenty-two. They were married at the corner of 3d and South A streets, a few doors from their present residence, when the square opposite was a cornfield, and Pennsylvania avenue east of the Capitol was a country road. The couple received the congratulations of many friends during the evening.