

Mason Edwin Taylor, Jr.

(- 20 Dec 1953)

Taylor, Mason Edwin, Jr. On Sunday, December 20, 1953, at his residence, 215 Gallatin st. n.w., Edwin Mason Taylor, Jr., beloved husband of Cathryn L. Taylor, father of Wilma Beverly, Mason, Elaine and Carl Taylor; son of Mason E. and Dorothy Taylor; son of Mason E. and Dorothy Taylor, nephew of Mrs. Florence Coakley and Robert Traylor. Friends may call at the Lee Funeral Home, 4th st. and Mass ave. n.e. where services will be held on Wednesday, December 23, at 12 noon. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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Wife Finds Mate Dead Of Monoxide

A 37-year-old Washington Gas Light Co. supervisor was found dead of carbon monoxide poisoning Sunday in his automobile in the open garage behind his home, 215 Gallatin st. nw.

The body of M. Edwin Taylor, Jr., was found by his wife, Cathryn, about 12 hours after he had left her at the front door of their home.

Mrs. Taylor, who said Mr. Taylor had suffered from a heart condition since infancy, told police she and her husband returned home around 6 a.m. to wake their 12-year-old son, a Washington Post carrier boy, for his deliveries.

Mrs. Taylor believed her husband had gone with the son. Later, when the boy returned, she thought Mr. Taylor might have gone to Falls Church to help a friend paint his house.

Late in the afternoon Mrs. Taylor said she went into the backyard to empty garbage, noticed the garage doors open, and found her husband slumped over the wheel, the left door of the car open.

Police said the engine of the car was not running, but the ignition was turned on. Death was due to monoxide poisoning, Coroner A. Magruder MacDonald reported.

Surviving, in addition to Mrs. Taylor, are three daughters, Wilma, 16; Beverly, 15, and Elaine, 9; two sons, Mason, 12, and Carl, 4, and the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mason E. Taylor, of 611 Constitution ave. ne.

Funeral services will be held at noon Wednesday at the Lee Funeral Home, 4th st. and Massachusetts ave. ne. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.