Jane E. Thomas

(-15 Nov 1908)

Thomas. Entered into rest Sunday, November 15, 1908, at 10:45 a.m., at the residence of her son, William H. Thomas, 427 11th street southwest, Jane E., the widow of William H. Thomas, in the ninety-second year of her age. Funeral from Epiphany Chapel, 12th and C streets southwest, Tuesday, November 17, at 2 p.m. Friends and relatives invited.

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Mrs. Jane Thomas Dies at Age of 92

Resident of Washington fo Sixty-five years Buried Today

Mrs. Jane E. Thomas, 92 years old, widow of W.H. Thomas, and a resident of Washington for 65 years who died at her residence, 427 Eleventh street southwest, Sunday, was buried this afternoon in Congressional Cemetery. Funeral services were held from Epiphany Chapel, Twelfth and C street southwest, the church of which she had been a faithful communicant for many years.

The death of Mrs. Thomas removes one of the oldest residents of this city. She was active, possessed all her faculties to the last, recalling with vivid accuracy the old days when the southwest section of the city was a commons, through which the old James canal had the right of way, and when freight-laden vessels navigated to the very doors of the National Capitol.

Mrs. Thomas was a native of Virginia and was a member of a family of historic interest. Perhaps no family has contributed more to the service of their country than the Adams family, from which she descended. Her great grandfather fought valiantly in the Revolutionary War, and was an overseer of the Custis estate, the owner of which became the wife of President Washington and the "First Lady of the Land". Her father fought with distinction through the Mexican War, and the son of Mrs. Thomas, George W. Thomas, a local contractor is a veteran of the civil war.

Mrs. Thomas is survived by two sons, George T. Thomas and W.H. Thomas, Jr., fifteen grandsons, twelve granddaughters, and ten great grandchildren, the eldest of whom is a girl eighteen years old.

NOTE: Two grandsons fought with the American forces in the World War:

William Howard Thomas, Battery B, 110 Regiment Field Artillery, A.E.F., No. 1291633. Landed in France in the Spring of 1918, via New York.

James B. Thomas, Company 73, 112th Engineers. A.E.F. No. 1813969. Landed in France in the Spring of 1918, via New York, A.P.O. 673.

Both, later honorably discharged due to demobilization.