

Grayson Lomax Thornton **(- 14 Apr 1929)**

Thornton, Grayson L. On Sunday, April 14, 1929, at Garfield Hospital, Grayson L. Thornton, brother of Mrs. Rosalie Conneff and Heber L. Thornton. Funeral services at the parlors of Almus R. Speare, 1623 Conn. Ave., Wednesday, April 17, at 2 p.m. Interment private.

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Takoma Park Man Dies After Short Illness

G.L. Thornton, 54, Real Estate Dealer, Will Be Buried Wednesday

Grayson Lomax Thornton, 54, of Takoma Park, died in Garfield Hospital last night after a short illness.

For several years Mr. Thornton had been engaged in the real estate business with his brother, H.L. Thornton, in Takoma Park. Prior to entering the real estate business, Mr. Thornton was engaged in the brokerage business and had been employed by the United States Shipping Board and the Southern Railway.

Born in Port Royal, Va., Mr. Thornton came to this city at an early age, attended the old Washington High School, the Virginia Military Institute and later Washington and Lee University, where he was graduated in law.

He is survived by his brother and a sister, Mrs. Leland Stanford Conness.

Funeral services will be conducted at Speare's undertaking parlors, 1623 Connecticut avenue, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

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Grayson L. Thornton Funeral Rites Held

Burial of Real Estate Man of Takoma Follows in Congressional Cemetery

Funeral services for Grayson Lomax Thornton, prominent real estate man of Takoma Park and Washington, who died at Garfield Hospital Sunday, were held yesterday afternoon, 2 o'clock, at Speare's undertaking parlors. Interment was in Congressional Cemetery. Rev. Dr. F.J. Bohanan of Rock Creek Protestant Episcopal Church officiated.

Pallbearers were: Doran S. Pratt, B.J. Edmunds, Lewis E. Smoot, Alexander R. Shepherd, D.J. Hoolihan and John J. Daly.

Mr. Thornton was born in Virginia and spent his early childhood at Port Royal, Va. He came to this city to attend the old Washington High School, where he was graduated and later studied law at Washington and Lee College. He received the degree of LL. B. He was the son of the late Champe Brockenbough Thornton and Laura Stettinius Thornton.

President Cleveland appointed his father to purchase the site for the Congressional Library. Mr. Thornton was the great-grandson of the G.G. Grammer, first president of the old Patriotic Bank. He was a pioneer member of the old Columbia Golf Club.