

## Laura Hayes Thornton

( - 31 Aug 1924)

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**Thornton.** Departed this life on Sunday, August 31, 1924, at 2:45 a.m., at her residence in the Cumberland Apartments, Mrs. Laura Hayes Thornton, nee Stettinius, wife of the late Champe B. Thornton, Jr., and beloved mother of Heber L., Grayson L. and Rosalie Conness, in her 88th year. Funeral services at the Ascension Church Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Interment (private) in Congressional cemetery.

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### **Mrs. L.H. Thornton Dies In Her 88th Year Was One of Oldest Native Residents of National Capital**

Mrs. Laura Hayes Thornton, one of the oldest native residents of Washington, died yesterday in her apartment in the Cumberland. She was in her eighty-eighth year and had been ill only a fortnight.

Mrs. Thornton was the widow of Champe B. Thornton who, before his death, some 30 years ago, was widely known throughout Virginia and Washington.

Mrs. Thornton was born in Washington October 9, 1836, the daughter of William Stettinius, and the granddaughter of G.C. Grammer, a local banker and philanthropist of his day.