

## John Peter Van Ness Throop

( - 3 Jul 1860)

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**Throop.** In this city on the 3d inst., John Van Ness Throop, in the 63d year of his age, after a protracted illness, a native of Hudson, New York. His funeral will take place from his late residence at 4 o'clock p.m. on Thursday the 5th inst. His friends and acquaintances are invited to attend (Boston papers copy).

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### Obituary

A friend who has known the late estimable John Van Ness Throop as a citizen of Washington for thirty years past, takes occasion to pay a brief passing tribute to his memory. Born at Chatham, in the State of New York, on the 15th April, 1794, he was the son of Major Daniel Throop, a brave officer and soldier of the revolution, and the grandson of Col. Benjamin Throop, who served his country with great gallantry and renown to himself throughout that struggle. He (Col. B. Throop) led a hundred Mohican warriors into Canada in behalf of the Colonies; was by Montgomery's side at his death; and participated in the memorable battles of Long Island, White Plains, Saratoga, and Monmouth, at the latter of which he was wounded. His grandson, the immediate subject of this notice was endowed with more than an ordinary share of honorable revolutionary sentiments, which thus inherited, gave tone to his sentiments and character through life. Endowed with keen perceptions, he was remarkable in early life, not only for the geniality of his disposition, but for remarkable readiness of mind, rendering him the life and soul of the social circle at home or abroad. High spirited, proverbially, he was equally kind hearted, loving those connected with him by the ties of relationship or friendship, with no ordinary affection. When in the prime of life, he had no professional superior as an engraver, in the country, and as a man he was honest and ingenious in his nature, to a fault. His death, which took place in this city on the 3d of July last, leaves a vacuum in many hearts of wife, children, and friends-that never will be filled on this side of the grave.

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THROOP, JOHN PETER VAN NESS

Engraver, lithographer, printer and miniature painter born in Oxford, NY in 1794, he was the older brother of Orramel H. and father of Benjamin F. Throop. He first worked in New York City and Baltimore, moving to DC in the 1830s. He died in DC around 1860. REFS: CENSUS (1860); GROCE; STAUFFER; WCD (1843-1860).