Charles Edward Walker

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Death of Charles E. Walker

Was Largely Identified With Business Interests of Washington

Charles E. Walker, whose death occurred recently at his residence, 315 E street northwest, was one of the oldest and most highly esteemed citizens of this District. He was born in Maryland, December 15, 1818, but came to Washington in 1834. With his brother, Jonathan T. Walker, he was largely identified with the early business interests of the city. He built the Wesley Chapel and superintended the construction of Metropolitan Church, of which at the time of his death he was one of a few surviving charter members. A pioneer in Methodism he worked earnestly in the mission established by Wesley Chapel, which afterward developed into Fletcher, North Capitol and Waugh churches He married twice, his first wife being a sister of Mr. S.T.G. Morsell, and his second the daughter of Rev. George Hildt of the Baltimore conference.

Of his thirteen children, nine survive. They are: Mrs. James H. McKenney, Mrs. A.B. Duvall, Mrs. Truman Lanham, Mrs. Lauren J. Taylor, Mrs. Charles Yeatman and three single daughters, Martha A., Juliet and Hattie Belle, and an only son, Frank H. Walker. Captain Samuel H. Walker, the famous Texan ranger and Mexican war hero, was a younger brother of the deceased.