

George O. Walson (- 27 Mar 1931)

Walson. Friday, March 27, 1931 at his residence, 2100 Connecticut avenue, George O., beloved husband of Zoe W. Walson. Remains resting at W.R. Speare Co. funeral parlors, 1623 Connecticut avenue. Funeral from Calvary M.E. Church, Columbus Road, between 14th and 15th streets northwest, Monday, March 30 at 2 p.m. Intimate friends who desire to view the remains may do so at the church from 1 to 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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George O. Walson Dies at Home Here Head of Liberty National Bank and Stock Exchange

Suffers Heart Attack

George O. Walson, president of Liberty National Bank and the Washington Stock Exchange, died at his home, 2101 Connecticut avenue, last night after a short illness. He was 61 years old.

Mr. Walson had an attack of grippe several weeks ago and this was believed to have caused a heart attack, with which he was stricken Thursday shortly after returning to his home from the bank. His condition grew rapidly worse, and his death occurred at 8 o'clock last evening.

Was Nationally Known

Widely known in financial circles and intimately associated with leaders in finance, Mr. Walson had a noteworthy career as a banker. He had served as a member of many of the most important committees of the American Bankers Association, and years ago he was an active worker in the District of Columbia Bankers Association.



Serving his third term as president of the Washington Stock Exchange, Mr. Walson had been one of its leading members and most active traders for many years. He was a close personal friend of Rome C. Stephenson, president of the American Bankers Association next year.

A native of Anacostia, Mr. Walson was the son of the late Charles F. and Eliza P. Walson. He was educated in the local public schools and began his banking career as runner for the National Capital Bank in 1889.

Became Treasurer in 1905

He became treasurer of the Union Savings Bank in 1905. In 1908 he became cashier of the Commercial National Bank, and from 1909 to 1917 served as cashier of the National Metropolitan Bank. Mr. Walson organized and became president of the Anacostia Bank, and in 1917 organized and became president of the Liberty Savings Bank, which in 1919 became the Liberty National Bank.

Mr. Walson was treasurer of Congressional Country Club and for the past 10 years had been a member of the Agricultural Commission of the American Bankers Association. He was a past president of the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Banking. For some time Mr. Walson had been a member of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants of the District of Columbia.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Zoe Walson; a daughter, Mrs. John F. Ligon; a son, Charles P. Walson, and a sister, Mrs. Simon Bube.

Funeral services will be conducted in Calvary M.E. Church, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Dr. James Shera Montgomery, chaplain of the House of Representatives will officiate. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

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**Walson Services To Be Tomorrow
Washington Stock Exchange and Bankers
Name Committees to Attend Rites**

Funeral services for George O. Walson, president of Liberty National Bank and president of the Washington Stock Exchange, who died at his home Friday night, will be held tomorrow afternoon at Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church at 2 o'clock. Dr. James Shera Montgomery, chaplain of the House of Representatives and pastor of the Metropolitan Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, will officiate. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Mr. Walson was prominent in financial circles in Washington. He was treasurer of the Congressional Country Club, and for many years had been a member of the agricultural commission of the American Bankers Association. He was a Republican, a Methodist and played a very active part in the Liberty bond drives during the World War.

The Washington Stock Exchange adjourned yesterday out of respect to the memory of Mr. Walson, for the past two years president of the organization and an active member of the exchange for a much longer period. Vice President Edward L. Hillyer appointed the following committee to attend the funeral: Eugene E. Thompson, Charles E. Howe, .E. Booker, James M. Johnston and C.J. Gockeler. Mr. Hillyer will also attend the rites.

On account of Mr. Walson being president of the Liberty National Bank, Lanier P. McLachlen, president of the District Bankers Association, appointed the presidents of the 11 other local national banks as a committee from the association to attend the funeral.

This committee includes H.H. McKee, National Capital Bank; Robert V. Fleming, Riggs National; John Poole, Federal-American National Bank & Trust Co.; Victor B. Deyber, Second National; Joshua Evans, jr., District National Bank; George W. White, National Metropolitan; Wade H. Cooper, Commercial National; Floyd E. Davis, Lincoln Bank of Washington; Frank J. Stryker, Columbia National, and John B. Cochran, Franklin National.

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**George O. Walson Funeral Is Held
Capital Financial Leader Is Buried After Rites at Calvary M.E. Church**

Funeral services for George O. Walson, president of Liberty National Bank and the Washington Stock Exchange, who died at his home, 2101 Connecticut avenue, Friday, were conducted at Calvary M.E. Church this afternoon at 2 o'clock, with Rev. Dr. James Shera Montgomery, chaplain of the House of Representatives officiating. Interment was in Congressional Cemetery.

The services were attended by many leading bankers and financiers with whom Mr. Walson had been intimately associated during his long and outstanding career as banker here. Those in attendance included committees of bankers, representing various financial institutions.

At the time of his death Mr. Walson was serving his third term as president of the Washington Stock Exchange, in which he had been one of the leading members and most active traders for many years. He was president of the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Banking, had served as a member of many of the most important committees of the American Bankers' Association and years ago was an active worker in the District of Columbia Bankers' Association. During his career he had held executive positions at various Washington banks.

A native of this city, Mr. Walson had for some time been a member of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants of the District of Columbia.

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**George O. Walson's Funeral Rites Held
Financiers Act as Pallbearers at Burial of
Liberty National Bank President**

Many prominent persons served as pallbearers at the funeral yesterday afternoon of George O. Walson, president of Liberty National Bank and the Washington Stock Exchange.

Active pallbearers were Dr. L.F. Davis, C.J. Gockeler, James M. Johnston, Lee D. Latimer, I.E. Shoemaker and George O. Vass.

Honorary pallbearers were as follows: Victor B. Deyber, Joshua Evans, jr.; I.A. Fleming, Robert V. Fleming, Ernest E. Herrell, W.S.F.D. Herron, Edward L. Hillyer, Maj. Henry Leonard, H.H. McKee, L.P. McLachlen, Howard Moran, James O'Donnell, Maurice Otterback, John Poole, John M. Riordon, Fred N. Shepherd, W.W.S. Spald, Rome C. Stephenson and Eugene E. Thompson.

The services were conducted in Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, with Rev. Dr. James Shera Montgomery, chaplain of the House of Representatives, officiating. Interment was in Congressional Cemetery.

The Washington Post, March 29, 1931, p. M6

**G.O. Walson Rites Set For Tomorrow
Services for Capital Bank Head Will Be Held at Calvary Church**

Funeral services for George O. Walson, prominent Washington banker, who died in his apartment at 2101 Connecticut avenue northwest, Friday night after a short illness, will be held from Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, Columbia road and Fourteenth street northwest, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, according to announcements of the family last night.

At the same time Edward J. McQuade, first vice president of the local Bankers Association and vice president of the Liberty National Bank, who has charge of the funeral arrangements for the well-known banker, announced that a delegation from the Washington Stock Exchange, the Bankers Association, and the various National banks in Washington had been appointed to represent the various organizations at the funeral services.

Those named as honorary pallbearers include Rome C. Stephenson, president of the American Bankers Association; Fred N. Shepherd, Robert B. Flemming, L.P. McLachlen, president of the District Bankers Association; H.H. McKee, I.A. Fleming, James O'Donnell, Eugene Thompson, John Poole, Victor B. Deyber, Edward L. Hillyer, Ernest E. Herrell, Howard Moran and W.W. Spaid.

The services at the church will be conducted by the Rev. James Shera Montgomery, chaplain of the United States House of Representatives, and interment will take place in the Congressional Cemetery.