

Penelope G. Wharton

(Sep 1817 – 21 Feb 1877)

Wharton. On Wednesday, February 21, 1877, at the residence of her husband, 610 12th street northwest, after a short and painful illness, Penelope G., beloved wife of Robert S. Wharton, in the 60th year of her age. Her funeral will take place from Epiphany church on Monday, 26th instant, at 2 o'clock p.m. Friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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Obituary -- Mrs. Penelope G. Wharton

This most estimable lady died after a brief illness at the residence of her husband, Robert S. Wharton, esq., on the 21st instant.

She was born in Southampton, England, in September 1817 and was brought to this country by her parents when she was two years of age. In March 1841, she was married to the Hon Jon Test, a distinguished lawyer and member of Congress from Indiana, and in February 1857, Judge Test having died some years before, she was married to Mr. Wharton.

She was brought up in the Episcopal church from childhood, was confirmed, and admitted to communion in the Episcopal church of this city in January 1870. She was a devout Christian and attended morning service the day on which she taken sick.

Her illness was borne with Christian fortitude, although her sufferings were intense, she never murmured or complained.

Her character was a most lovely one. She was amiable, generous, self-sacrificing and forgiving in disposition; a kind friend, a loving and devoted wife and mother, always promoting the comfort and happiness of those around her. Her loss will be deeply deplored.