

Lucinda (Lou) Burnam Wilkinson

(1844 – 18 Jan 1933)

Wilkinson, Lou Burnam. At her residence, 1821 Kalorama rd. n.w., on the afternoon of January 18, 1933, Lou Burnam, widow of A. George Wilkinson and beloved mother of Mrs. H.L. Hodgkins, George L. and Lucille W. Wilkinson. Services in the First Baptist Church Sunday school room, 16th and O sts. N.w., on Friday, January 20, at 3:30 p.m. Friends invited. Kindly omit flowers.

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Leader In Charity Activities Dies

Mrs. Lou Wilkinson Attended Lincoln Receptions at White House

Mrs. Louis B. Wilkinson, widow of Dr. A. George Wilkinson, died yesterday at her home, 1821 Kalorama road. Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 3:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church, with Dr. S.J. Porter officiating. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Mrs. Wilkinson came to Washington from Columbia, Mo., as a bride, in 1865, and since had been actively identified with patriotic and charitable work in the Capital. For several years she was one of the representatives of the First Baptist Church to the Association of Baptist Churches of Washington, and also served as president of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the church. For years she represented that church on the board of the Old Ladies' Home.

Was Active in D.A.R.

She was a charter member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, national No. 106, and served on many national and State committees of the D.A.R. She was a charter member of the Mary Washington Chapter, and in 1906 founded Our Flag Chapter. She received the decoration of the United States Flag Association, and was a member of the Order of the First Families of Virginia.

She was for many years a member of the National Indian Association, serving as southern vice president and as resident of the Washington auxiliary for much of that time. The McAll Mission was another charitable work in which she took an active interest from its beginning. She was also an early member of the Women's Anthropological Society of America.

Attended White House Receptions

As her husband was an official of the government for more than 50 years, Mrs. Wilkinson enjoyed the social life of the Capital. Starting with a reception given by President and Mrs. Lincoln at the White House in 1865, she attended receptions given by each administration up to that of President Coolidge. She was present and sat near President Lincoln at his second inauguration. Her home, on K street near Sixteenth street, was for many years a center of hospitality.

Three children, Mrs. Howard L. Hodgkins and Miss Lucille W. Wilkinson of this city, and George L. Wilkinson of Evanston, Ill.; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren survive.