Joseph W. Williams

(-19 Sep 1931)

Williams, Joseph W. On Saturday, September 12, 1931 at his residence, 1338 4-1/2 st. s.w., Joseph W., beloved husband of Lilly B. Williams. Funeral from his late residence on Tuesday, September 22 at 2:30 p.m. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

Williams, Joseph. Lebanon Lodge, No. 7, F.A.A.M. A special communication of Lebanon Lodge, No 7, is hereby called for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, Joe Wiliams. You are earnestly requested to be present at the Masonic Temple at 1:15 pm., Tuesday, September 22, 1931.

Howard M. Brooks, Master

Williams, Joseph W. Special meeting of Mount Vernon Lodge, No. 4, Knights of Pythias is called for Monday, September 21 at 8 o'clock p.m. at Pythian Temple, to arrange for funeral of Brother Joseph W. Williams.

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J.W. Williams Rites To Be Held Tomorrow

Construction Man Said to Have Been Last to Leave Washington Monument Top

Funeral services for Joseph W. Williams, 79, who died here Saturday, will be held tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence, 1338 Four-and-a-Half street southwest. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Mr. Williams, who had been employed in the construction of many well known buildings here, was said to have been the last worker to leave the top of Washington Monument at its completion and to have removed the last scaffolding. He was engaged as an ironworker on the State, War and Navy Building, and later became a machinist at the Navy Yard. He was retired from there in 1920 after 30 years of active service.

He was a member of Mount Vernon Lodge, Knights of Pythias for more than 51 years. He was also a member of Rathbone Temple, No. 1, P.S.; Lebanon Lodge, F.A.A.M.; Lebanon Chapter, order of the Eastern Star; Lambskin Masonic Club; Kallipolis Grotto, M.O.V.P.E.R., and the Machinists Union.

Surviving are his widow and three sons by a former marriage, W.O Williams, W.A. Williams and A.K. Williams.