

## **Martha Jane Woodward** **(3 Dec 1840 – 13 Dec 1929)**

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**Woodward.** On Friday, Dec. 13, 1929 at her residence, 125 New York Ave., N.W., Martha Jane Woodward, widow of Mark R. Woodward. Funeral from her late residence on Monday, Dec. 16 at 2 p.m.

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### **Rites Held Today for Mrs. Woodward**

#### **Widow of Mark R. Woodward Was Member of an Old Washington Family**

Funeral services for Mrs. Martha J. Woodward, 89 years old, who died at her residence, 125 New York Avenue, Friday after a long illness, were conducted there this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment was in Congressional Cemetery.

Mrs. Woodward was the widow of Mark R. Woodward and a member of an old Washington family. Her father, the late Thomas Pursell, conducted a china store on Pennsylvania Avenue many years ago.

She is survived by four sons, Dr. William C. Woodward of Chicago, former District of Columbia health officer; James Morris Woodward, real estate operator here; Frank A. Woodward, principal of Gordon Junior High School, and Mark R. Woodward of Allentown, Pa., and two daughters, Miss Esther R. Woodward, teacher in Hine Junior High School, and Mrs. Mary W. Pitts of Cleveland. She also leaves 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. All of the sons and daughters attended the funeral.

The four sons, her son-in-law, George B. Pitts, and grandson, Mark D. Woodward were pallbearers. Another son, the late Thomas P. Woodward, was president of the Washington Title Insurance Co. at the time of his death in 1911.

Mrs. Woodward had been a member of the Wesley M.E. Church for 80 years.