Dr. Elmon A. Adams

(1839 - 22 Jan 1890)

Adams. On Wednesday, January 22, 1890 at his late residence, Dr. Elmon A. Adams in the 51st year of his age. Funeral services will be held at the Metropolitan Presbyterian church (4th street southeast) on Sunday, the 16th instant at 2:30 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

The Evening Star, Wednesday, January 22, 1890

Death of Dr. E.A. Adams

A Well-Known Resident of East Washington A Victim of the Grip

Dr. Elmon A. Adams, the well-known physician of East Washington, died at his house, 422 8th street southeast, a few minutes before 9 o'clock this morning. The fatal malady was pneumonia, which followed an attack of the grip. Dr. Adams was a victim to the prevailing malady in more than one sense. Up to a week ago last Saturday he gave himself up to most exhausting professional labors incidental to the large amount of sickness in the city and continued to devote himself to his patients for some days after he was ill himself. Then he was compelled to remain at home and pneumonia rapidly developed. His popularity was attested by the scores of inquiries made at his house daily during his illness. He was in the fifty-first year and was a son of the late Josiah Adams, for many years intendant of the Washington asylum. After attending the schools of the old sixth ward he worked for a time as a carpenter. In the early days of the war he was a member of the Washington Light Guard, Capt. S.A.H. Marks, jr., and served in the three months' service. Then studying medicine he graduated and settled among the friends of his youth in East Washington, where he built up a large practice. He was prominent in local politics and for several years had been the president of the Republican Invincibles. He was a member of Washington Naval lodge, the Naval chapter of Royal Arch Masons and De Molay commandary of Knights Templar. He was active in many enterprises in East Washington, was president of the Washington steam dredging company. He leaves a widow, two sons and a daughter. His sons are Dr. C.B.S. Adams of Spokane Falls, Washington, who is now on his way to this city, and Allen Adams, a youth of sixteen. His daughter is Mrs. Leon D. Geneste. Dr. Adams was one of the oldest members of the Metropolitan Presbyterian church, and it is probable the funeral will take place from that church at 2 o'clock Sunday, if the son, who is now on his way here from Spokane Falls, arrives in time.

The Evening Star, January 24, 1890

The Late Dr. E.A. Adams

At a meeting of the members of the Republican Invincibles last evening called to take action in regard to the death of their president, Dr. E.A. Adams, a committee consisting of Messrs. Linker, Windham, Harmer, Lusby and Kock was appointed to prepare suitable resolutions. The report of the committee was adopted. Messrs. Joseph P. Hodgson and W.H. Collins were selected as pall bearers. The club will attend the funeral on Sunday in a body. The uniformed members of the club will march on the right of the hearse and those not in uniform on the left. The hall will be draped in mourning for thirty days.

The Evening Star, Monday, January 27, 1890

Funeral of Dr. E.A. Adams

The remains of Dr. E.A. Adams were laid to rest in the Congressional cemetery yesterday with impressive ceremonies, and in the presence of a large gathering of the friends and acquaintances of the deceased. DeMolay commandary, No. 4, Knights Templar, Naval lodge, No. 4, and Naval Royal Arch chapter, No. 6 and the Republican Invincible club attended the funeral in a body, while representatives were present from the Republican Union league and other organizations of which the deceased was a member. The services at the house were conducted in accordance with the ritual of the Knights Templar by Eminent Commander Chas. C.M. Loeffler. The casket was then borne to the Metropolitan Presbyterian church, the following acting as pall bearers; Messrs. Charles Venable and Samuel Miller for Naval lodge, No. 4; George W. Coleman and John E. Herrell for Naval chapter, No. 6; Past Commanders Andrew W. Kelly and Thomas Somerville for DeMolay commandary, No. 4, and W.H. Collins and Joseph F. Hodgson for the Republican Invincibles. The services in the church were in charge of Rev. Dr. Chester, who was assisted by Rev. Mr. Ferguson. At the grave, Naval lodge, under the direction of the master, Chas. F. Warren, performed the committal service.