Charles H. Allen

(5 Jan 1832 - 21 Oct 1907)

Allen. On October 21, 1907, at 1;55 a.m., at the residence of his son, Charles G. Allen, Charles H. Allen, in the 76th year of his age. Funeral services at Mount St. Alban's Church, Wisconsin avenue, Wednesday, October 23, at 2 p.m. Interment private.



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Last Tribute to Dead

Funeral of Capt. Charles H. Allen Tomorrow

Arrangements have been made to hold tomorrow afternoon the funeral of Capt. Charles H. Allen. Union veteran and late editorial writer on the Washington Post who died early yesterday morning at the home of his son, Charles G. Allen, Florence court. The services will be at Mount St. Alban's Church, in Cathedral close, at 2 o'clock, and will be conducted by the rector Rev. Dr. G.C.T. Gratenald. Interment will be in Congressional cemetery. The pallbearers will be Henry C. Johnson, Thomas I. Watson, Dr. John F. Collins, Harry H. Allen, Thomas L. Jenkins and Ira E. Bennett.

Charles Henry Allen was born in Waterville, Me., January 5, 1832. He received his early education in the Friends school of that town, and later he became an instructor in English literature at the Waterville Academy. Subsequently, Mr. Allen moved to Boston and engaged in literary work, and at the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted in the 13th Massachusetts Infantry. He was seriously wounded at the battle of Antietam, and was removed to

one of the hospitals in the west. Upon recovery Mr. Allen organized a company of volunteers in Indiana. He was made captain and fought with his men to the end of the war.

Sketch of His Career

Capt. Allen entered the newspaper field in the latter part of 1865 as a member of the staff of the Indianapolis Journal, a paper of which he afterward became managing editor. He then became half owner of the Terre Haute Express, but left that paper to take up editorial work on the Evansville (Ind.) Courier, in which capacity he remained until 1873.

Capt. Allen married Miss Sophia Gordon of Newberg, Ind., in 1874, and a short time afterward came to Washington. Since that time until the close of his life he had been prominent among the correspondents and newspaper writers of this city.

His first work in Washington was that of a correspondent representing several Indiana and central states papers. For several years he was the managing editor of the old National Republican. He was also the editor-in-chief and one of the organizers of Public Opinion, which was afterward moved to New York.

Capt. Allen had been connected with the editorial department of the Washington Post at irregular intervals since its establishment, and for the last 15 years had given continuous service in that capacity.

Capt. Allen's son, Charles G. Allen, vice president of the District of Washington Title Insurance companies survives him.

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Funeral of Chas. H. Allen

Services Held Yesterday Afternoon in St. Alban's Chapel

Funeral services over the remains of Charles H. Allen, soldier and editor, who died Monday, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Mount St. Alban's Chapel. Rev. George C. Bratenahl, rector of St. Alban's parish, conducted the services. Numerous floral offerings were banked about the casket, including a large wreath of roses from his co-workers of the Washington Post, where the deceased had been an editorial writer for the past twenty years. The pallbearers were Messrs. Ira E. Bennett, Henry C. Johnson, Thomas L. Watson, Harry H. Allen, Thomas L. Jenkins and Dr. John F. Collins. The interment was private and in Congressional cemetery.