

Blanche S. Beal **(1872 – 5 May 1950)**

Beal, Blanche S. On Friday, May 5, 1950, at Homeopathic Hospital, Blanche S. Beal, wife of the late Benjamin J. Beal, mother of Earl Raymond Beal, sister of Charles Robey. Services at the S.H. Hines Co. Funeral Home, 2901 14th st. n.w., on Monday, May 8, at 11 a.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

The Evening Star, May 6, 1950, p. A4

Mrs. Blanche Beal Dies; Widow of Telegrapher

Mrs. Blanche Robey Beal, widow of Benjamin (Big Benn) J. Beal, well-known newspaper telegrapher here, died yesterday at Homeopathic Hospital after a long illness. She was 77 years old.

Mrs. Beal was born in the District and was a lifelong resident here. She lived at 2560 Rhode Island avenue N.E. Her husband was association with Postal Telegraph here.

She leaves a son, Earl Raymond Beal of 3727 Veazey street N.W.; a granddaughter, Miss Dorothy Beal, of the same address, and a brother, Charles Robey, of the Westchester Apartments.

Another son, Joseph W. Beal, was first violinist at the Knickerbocker Theater and was killed there when the roof collapsed during a heavy snowstorm in January, 1922.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at the S.H. Hines funeral home, 2901 Fourteenth street N.W. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.

The Washington Post, May 6, 1950, p. B2

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Mrs. Blanche Robey Beal, 2560 Rhode Island ave. ne., died yesterday at Homeopathic Hospital after a long illness.

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Another son, Joseph W. Beal, was first violinist at the Knickerbocker Theater and was killed when the roof collapsed there on January 28, 1922.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the Hines Funeral Parlor followed by burial in Congressional Cemetery.