

## Walter Henry Beal (Sr.)

( 1867 - 1 Jan 1946)

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**Beal, Walter Henry, Sr.** On Tuesday, January 1, 1946, at his residence, 1852 Park rd. n.w., Walter Henry Beal, Sr., husband of Eleanor Ashby Beal and father of Walter Henry Beal, Jr.; Elizabeth B. Devlin, Anne Ashby Beal and William Ashby Beal. Friends may call at Gawler's chapel, 1750 Pa. ave. n.w., where services will be held on Thursday, January 3, at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery. Please omit flowers.

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### **Walter H. Beal, Sr. 78, Research Expert Dies**

Walter Henry Beal, sr., 78, an agriculture research expert and retired assistant head of the Office of Experiment Stations of the Agriculture Department, died yesterday at his home, 1852 Park road, N.W.

Mr. Beal retired in 1935 after 47 years with the department here. A specialist in agriculture meteorology, he also was an authority on soils and fertilizers. He was the author of various papers on scientific agriculture, and a contributor to Experiment Station Record, the international Encyclopedia the Internal Year Boo Webster's International Dictionary and the Americana Encyclopedia.

He was a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and a member of the Federal Club, the Agriculture Historical Society, the Virginia Historical Society and the Cosmos Club.

Born near Old Church, Va., he was the son of the late John and Charlotte Columbia Beal. He was a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Before coming to Washington he was an assistant chemist at Massachusetts Agriculture Experiment Station.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Eleanor Ashby Beal; two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth B. Devlin and Miss Anne Ashby Beal, and two sons, Maj. Henry Beal, jr., and Ensign William Ashby Beal, all of Washington.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow at Gawler's Chapel, 1756 Pennsylvania avenue N.W. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.