

Capt. Chauncey Bestor

(- 25 Apr 1877)

Bestor. On Thursday, April 25, 1877 at 5 a.m., Chauncey Bestor in the 89th year of his age. Funeral will take place from the residence of Mrs. W.C. Bestor, 1710 I street on Saturday at 2 o'clock.

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Death of Capt. Bestor

Capt. Chauncey Bestor, one of our oldest citizens, died this morning at the residence of his son, W.C. Bestor, 1710 I street northwest, in the 89th year of his age. Capt. Bestor was a native of Connecticut, but came here when quite a youth, prior to the War of 1812. He was then attached to the militia of the District of Columbia and he served during the war. At the close he engaged in mercantile pursuits, on Pennsylvania avenue, near the Metropolitan hotel, and was so engaged for many years. He accepted a position in the Post Office department, which he occupied until about 1843, when he was elected cashier of old Patriotic bank, and he remained in this position for about ten years. His wife, a sister of Prof. Donald McLeod, died several years since. Two of his sons have been for many years engaged in the banking house of Riggs & Co. He was one of our "oldest inhabitants," and took an active interest in everything pertaining to the interest of the District. His funeral will take place on Saturday at 2 o'clock.