## George A. Bohlayer

(1858 - 11 Apr 1923)

**Bohlayer.** On Wednesday, April 11, 1923 at 6:30 a.m. at his residence, 5213 Georgia avenue, George, beloved husband of Sarah Bohlayer. Funeral from his late residence, Friday, April 13 at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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## Fireman 38 Years, Bohlayer To Retire

## At 63 He Plans to Keep Busy Score More Years -- Commended for Bravery

After thirty-eight years service in the District fire department, during which time he aided in fighting virtually all of the large fires in Washington, George Bohlayer of No. 22 engine company will be placed on the retired list tomorrow at midnight.

Mr. Bohlayer is sixty-three years of age. He entered the department in September, 1882, and has since that time continually worn the uniform of a fireman.

In 1884, with Deputy Chief Nicholson, during a fire at the Galt Feed Company's warehouse, he received commendations from officials on account of assistance in saving the life of a fireman who was trapped after a boiler explosion.

He entered the service at No. 3 engine house. In 1889 he was transferred as assistant engineer to engine company No. 8 and six years later was again transferred to No. 10 engine. In 1908 he was stationed at engine company No. 22, in Brightwood, where he became a private with the abolishment of the rank of engineer on the arrival of motor-operated fire apparatus.

"I am not going to quit doing some kind of work," he said yesterday. "There will always be something about the house which will need attention, and I intend to keep myself occupied for at least another score of years.