

John Robert Bradley

(1849 – 18 Aug 1913)

Bradley. On August 18, 1913 at 1 a.m. at Sibley Hospital, John R. Bradley, father of Ernest H. and John T. Bradley, Mrs. Maude L. Dikeman and Mrs. Mary E. Wright, aged 63 years. Notice of funeral later.

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John R. Bradley Dead

Carbuncle Fatal to Proof Reader at Library of Congress

John R. Bradley, proof reader of the Library of Congress and for more than a quarter of a century prominent in Baptist circles of the city, died at noon today at Sibley Hospital. His death was due to a carbuncle, his illness beginning about a week ago.

No arrangements have been made for the funeral, though it probably will be held in Grace Baptist Church, where for about twenty-five years he has been superintendent of the Sunday school. He was sixty-three years old. The family residence is 1218 B street southeast.

Mr. Bradley was a graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., and at his graduation was ordained to preach. He, however, did not accept a pastorate, preferring to remain a layman rather than a clergyman.

He was a close friend of the late Rev. Dr. C.C. Meador, for many years a pastor of the Fifth Baptist Church, and was baptized into the fellowship of the Baptist Church by that clergyman. Since that time he has always taken a deep interest in the work of the Columbia Association of Baptist Churches as well as in general charitable work.

Four children survive they being Mrs. Maude Dikeman, Mrs. Mary Wright and Ernest and Thomas Bradley.