John Charles Bunn

(- 9 Apr 1943)

Bunn, John Charles. Suddenly, on Friday, April 9, 1943, at the home of his daughter, 14 E. Bellefonte ave., Alexandria, Va., John Charles Bunn, beloved father of Clarence K. Bunn and Mrs. Paul C. Kinsley. He also is survived by seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Remains resting at Hysong's funeral home, 1300 N st. n.w., where services will be held on Monday, April 12, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

Bunn, John C. Special communication of Naval Lodge, No. 4, F.A.A.M., is called at 1:15 Monday afternoon, April 12, 1943, for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, John C. Bunn. By order of the worshipful master.

Roland M. Brown, Secretary



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John C. Bunn, Retired Police Officer and Marksman, Dies Champion Shot Won Several Commendations For Work on Force

John Charles Bunn, 76, retired policemen and well-known rifle and pistol champion, who served at the White House during the terms of three presidents, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Paul C. Hinsley, sr., at 14 East Bellefonte avenue, Alexandria.

Funeral services will be held from Hysong's Funeral Home, 2 p.m., Monday, with burial in Congressional Cemetery.

Born in Olney, Ill., Mr. Bunn came to Washington in 1894 and for a time was a Methodist Evangelist. He was with the Bureau of Engraving before joining the police department August 3, 1886. He retired July 1, 1931.

His record shows he was commended several times for his service, and was the recipient of many medals and honors for proficiency with the rifle and pistol. He was one of the founders of the National Capital Rifle and Revolver Club and was its champion shot for years. He became national pistol and revolver champion several times, according to the family records and once reached the place of No. 3 man in world competition.

He was detailed to the White House during the term of Presidents Harding, Wilson and Hoover. During the riots in 1919 he was shot through the shoulder at Seventh and T streets N.W. Surviving are one son, Capt. Clarence K. Bunn of Engine Co. No. 18, D.C. Fire Department; a daughter, Mrs. Hinsley; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was praised today by Maj. Edward J. Kelly, superintendent of police as a "capable, competent and reliable police officer, and a very fine gentleman.