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Coomes. Saturday, August 20th, 1887, J.W. Coomes, beloved husband of Sarah A., in the 58th year of his age. Funeral services will take place at Fourth Street M.E. Church, on Tuesday, August 23d, at 4 o'clock p.m.

The Evening Star, August 24, 1887 The Funeral of Ex-Detective Coomes

The funeral of the late J. Wm. Coomes, for many years a policeman and detective officer, took place yesterday afternoon. The relatives and immediate friends assembled at the house, No. 512, 7th street southeast, where brief services were held, conducted by Rev. M.F.B. Rice, assisted by Revs. Samuel Kramer and Benjamin Swallow. The remains were taken to the Fourth street M.E. church, escorted by a detail of police, Columbia Commandery, Knights Templar, and a delegation of Lincoln Post, No. 2, Grand Army of the Republic. The pall-bearers were Officers Anderson and Wilson, his former partner on the detective force, Joseph Action; ex-Policeman A. Miller, A.T. Longley and T. Stewart, of the Knights Templar, and Messrs. Thornton and McCabe, of the G.A.R. At the church Rev. Mr. Rice read appropriate selections of Scripture, and made an address. The Knights Templar services were also performed. The remains were taken to the Congressional Cemetery and interred there.