George L. Kinnard

(1803 - 26 Nov 1836)

Biographical Directory of the United States Congress 1774-1989

A Representative from Indiana; born in Pennsylvania in 1803; moved with his widowed mother to Tennessee and completed preparatory studies; moved to Indianapolis, Indiana in 1823; studied law; was admitted to the bar and practiced in Marion County, Indiana; assessor for Marion County in 1826 and 1827; member of the State house of representatives 1827-1830; county surveyor 1831-1825; State auditor for several years; colonel of the State militia; elected as a Democrat to the 23rd and 24th Congresses and served from March 4, 1833, until his death from injuries received in an explosion on the steamer "Flora" on the Ohio River November 26, 1836; interment probably in Presbyterian Burying Ground (now Washington Park), Cincinnati, Ohio.

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It is with pain we announce that the Hon. G.L. Kinnard, who was so badly scalded a few days ago on board the steamboat Flora, died at the hospitable dwelling of Gen. Lytle, on Saturday evening last, and was buried yesterday afternoon with distinguished marks of respect.

Mr. Kinnard was aged about 35 years, and was a highly respectable member of Congress from Indiana. His death is rendered the more distressing, as we understand he was on his way to Philadelphia, with a view of being married to a lady in that city, whom he intended taking with him to Washington.