James LaFontaine

(12 Mar 1838 - 23 Jul 1914)

LaFontaine. On Thursday, July 23, 1914 at 9:32 a.m. at his residence, 404 Maryland avenue s.w., James LaFontaine aged 76 years 4 months and 11 days. Funeral from his late residence, Sunday, July 26 at 3 p.m.; thence to St. Dominic's Church where services will be held at 3:30 p.m.



JAMES LA FONTAINE.

LaFontaine. Members of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants of the District of Columbia are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services of our Ite associate, James LaFontaine at his late residence, 464 Maryland avenue s.w., Sunday the 26th instant at 3 p.m.

Theo. W. Noyes, President Benjamin W. Reiss, R.S.

The Evening Star, July 23, 1914, p. 14

James LaFontaine Dies After Brief Illness Was Born Here in 1838 and Conducted a Market Stand for Sixty Years

James LaFontaine, one of the pioneer poultry and vegetable dealers of Center market, died about 9:30 o'clock this morning at his home, 464 Maryland avenue southwest, after a short illness.

Mr. LaFontaine was born in this city March 12, 1838. When he was two years old his parents moved to the site at 11th street and Pennsylvania avenue where The Star building now stands. Later they moved to the house on Maryland avenue southwest, where he has

since resided. Mr. LaFontaine served in Company D, 7th Battalion, District of Columbia Infantry, during the civil war. He was a member of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants and also a member of St. Dominic's Catholic Church, 6th and E streets southwest. He conducted a stand in Center market for the past sixty years.

Five children, Miss M. Rosina LaFontaine, James A., George E., Henry F. and Charles O. LaFontaine, and eleven grandchildren survive him. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

The Evening Star, July 24, 1914, p. 13

Funeral of James LaFontaine

Funeral services for James LaFontaine, who died yesterday morning at his home, 464 Maryland avenue southwest are to be held at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon at his late residence. The body is later to be taken to St. Dominic's Catholic Church, 6th and E streets southwest, where requiem services will be held. Interment will be at Congressional cemetery. Members of the Association of the Oldest Inhabitants, of which Mr. LaFontaine was a member, will attend the funeral in a body.

The Washington Post, July 27, 1914, p. 3

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to St. Dominic's Catholic Church, where services were conducted by the Rev. Father Cowan. The active pallbearers were William E. Wilson, William E. Thompson, William F. Burdine, James Mothershead, Martin Weigand, and Charles Kelly. The honorary pallbearers, who represented the Association of Oldest Inhabitants, of which the deceased was a member, were Charles Behrens, Anthony Gaegler, Anthony Schilling, and J. Richard Riggles. Interment was in Congressional Cemetery. *Washington Post, July 24, 1914, p. 2*

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James LaFontaine, who conducted a poultry and vegetable stand in the Center Market for the last 60 years, died at his home, 464 Maryland avenue southwest, yesterday morning after a short illness. Mr. LaFontaine was born in this city in 1838 and lived here ever since. He served in the District of Columbia infantry during the civil war, was a member of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association, and a communicant of St. Dominic's Catholic Church. He is survived by five children -- Miss Rosina La Fontaine, James A., George E., Henry F., and Charles O. LaFontaine.

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