William J. McGee, Sr.

(12 Apr 1862 – 26 Apr 1952)

McGee, William J. On Saturday, April 26, 1952, at Georgetown Hospital, William J. McGee of 1810 Lamont st. n.w., beloved husband of the late Annie R. McGee, father of C. Russell and Isabel McGee, Mrs. Mildred Marbury, grandfather of Mildred and Anna Marbury. Services at the above residence on Wednesday, April 30, at 8:30 a.m., thence to the Shrine of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 10th st. and Park rd. n.w., where the holy sacrifice of the mass will be offered at 9 a.m. for the repose of his soul. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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William J. McGee, Retired Executive Of Interior Divisions

William J McGee, 90, retired Interior Department division chief, died Saturday in Georgetown University Hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. McGee, who lived at 1810 Lamont street N.W., came to Washington in 1889 to accept appointment as an examiner of land claims and contests for the Interior Department's Land Office. He retired as chief of the Office's Minerals Division in 1932 after 43 years' service.

Posts he held during his career included those of chief of the Railroad Division, the Division of Government Contests and the Division of Government and Private Contracts.

In 1909 he was made a special commissioner to investigate Alaska coal claims and land fraud cases.

A native of Marshall, Mich., Mr. McGee was once city attorney there and secretary of the Michigan Democratic State Committee before coming to Washington. He was a past grand knight of Carroll Council, Knights of Columbus, here.

Surviving are a son and two daughters, Charles Russell McGee of 4614 Verplanck street N.W.; Miss Isabel J. McGee of the Lamont street address, and Mrs. Leonard Marbury, 115 Primrose street, Chevy Chase, Md.

Requiem mass in the Shrine of the Sacred Heart Church, Sixteenth street and Park road N.W., will be offered at 9 a.m., Wednesday. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.