

## James Owner

( – 7 Dec 1847)

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**Owner.** On the 7th instant, Mr. James Owner, aged 85 years. His friends and those of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral from his late residence on Virginia avenue, near 4th street east on Thursday next at 2 1/2 o'clock p.m.

### **The Navy Yard Section During the Life of the Rev. William Ryland**

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He lived near the corner of Ninth and K Streets southeast, one of the oldest houses in the city.

**Will of James Owner, Sr., of Washington City, D.C.** (dtd. Sept. 2, 1844, probated July 7, 1846; Book 6, pp. 134-138; O.S. 2814; Box 19)

To daughter France F. Cook, Lots 4 and 5 in Square 951 in Washington City, with improvements being a 2-story brick house fronting K St. south and back building; also lot 12 in Reservation 12 in Washington City with 3-story house fronting on Pennsylvania Ave. and 2-story house fronting on B St.; also 3-story back building on Lot 12; also part of Lot 10 which I own in Square 455 with 2-story frame house fronting on 7th St. west; also all plate and household furniture, horse and carriage, cash and money; after her decease to three grandchildren; James F. Cook, Mary A. Cook and Stephen J. Cook; Lots 3 and 4 in Square 951, Lot 12 in Reservation 12 and part of Lot 10 in Square 455, and plate and furniture after decease of daughter Frances to grandchildren.

To grandson James F. Cook, at age 21 years, my gold watch and gold chain; to each grandchild a gold piece known as an American Eagle in value \$10.

Remainder of property being 160 shares of stock in Bank of Metropolis in Washington City, and 12 shares of stock in the Navy Yard Bridge Company in Washington C., and stock in Washington and Georgetown fireman's insurance company; lot in City of Philadelphia, Pa., fronting on Prime St. between Swanson and Front sts., in the District of Southwark, being a 3-story front and a 2-story back building of brick; one stock share in Bank of Pennsylvania; to other three grandchildren: Hannah Allen, William Owner, and James Owner; so that interest, rents, use thereof may be so enjoyed by them after decease of my three children.

As I have not erected a Tomb Stone or Head Stone to perpetuate the memory of my beloved Wife, I enjoin it on my children that they erect such a stone as will designate the spot of both her resting place and mind.

Exrs.: four children: Hannah Allen, William and James Owner, and Frances F. Cook

Wits.: George H. Fulmer; John M. Roberts; Thomas Thornley

Codicil, July 7, 1846; charges Mrs. Hannah Allen for board, \$2,000; Mrs. William Owner for board, \$1,000 and house rent \$2,000; and James Owner as cash advanced to carry on the lumber trade, \$8,000 (exclusive of charge of his board and hire of black man and rent for bridge wharf)

Wit.: Thomas Thornley