Charles Wootson Parsons

(-25 Jun 1956)

Parsons, Charles Wootson. On Monday, June 25, 1956, at Casualty Hospital, Charles Wootson Parsons of 629 Lexington pl. ne., beloved husband of Esther Newham Parsons, father of Charles Richard Parsons, brother of David A. Parsons and Mrs. Susan Parsons Oyster. Friends may call at the Lee Funeral Home, 4th st. and Massachusetts ave. ne., where services will be held on Thursday, June 28, at 11 a.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

The Evening Star, June 27, 1956, p. B22

C.W. Parsons, 76, Retired; Builder Here for 40 Years

Charles W. Parsons, 76, a Washington builder for more than 40 years before he retired in 1949, died Monday at Casualty Hospital. A lifelong Washington resident, he had lived at 629 Lexington place N.E. for the last 32 years.

Mr. Parsons began his career as a carpenter's apprentice. During most of his years as a commercial builder, he was superintendent of construction for his father, James L. Parsons, sons, jr., also was associated with the firm which had offices in the Homer Building. Mr. Parsons retired in 1949 after his brother's death.

The Parsons' firm built the District Building, the Munsey Trust Building, the History Building at American University, Stoneleigh Courts Apartments and portions of the Sparrows Point Shipyard, Baltimore.

Mr. Parsons is survived by his widow, Mrs. Esther Newham Parsons; a son, Charles Richard Parsons of the home address, supervisory civil engineer at the Naval Research Laboratory; a brother, David A. Parsons, 4921 Jamestown road, Yorktown Village, Md., an Anacostia automobile dealer, and a sister, Mrs. Susan P. Oyster, Bethesda, Md.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. tomorrow at the Lee funeral home, Fourth street and Massachusetts avenue N.E. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.

The Washington Post, June 27, 1956, p.16

Parsons, Washington Contractor

Charles Wootson Parsons, 76, a retired Washington contractor whose firm built the District Building, died Monday at Casualty Hospital after a long illness. He lived at 629 Lexington pl. ne.

Mr. Parsons who retired in 1949 began work as a carpenter shortly after the turn of the century. For many years he supervised construction for the firm of James L. Parsons, his father. The firm was discontinued in 1949 after the death of Mr. Parsons' brother and partner, James L. Parsons, Jr.

Mr. Parsons was instrumental in shaping the Washington skyline. His firm built the Munsey Trust Building at 1329 E st. nw., the Stoneleigh Court Apartments and the history building at American University, among others. During World War I Mr. Parsons participated in building the Sparrows Point Shipyard in Baltimore. In late years he specialized in remodeling commercial buildings.

Mr. Parsons leaves his wife, Esther Newham Parsons, of the home address and a son, Charles Richard Parsons, a supervisory engineer at the Naval Research Laboratory, also of the home address. Also surviving are a brother, David A. Parsons, 4921 Jamestown rd., Yorktown Village, Md. Who is an automobile dealer in Anacostia, and a sister, Mrs. Susan P. Oyster, 4611 Saul rd., Kensington.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Lee Funeral Home with burial in Congressional Cemetery.