

May Myrtle Parsons

(6 Oct 1865 – 4 Dec 1957)

Parsons, May M. On Wednesday, December 4, 1957 at Garfield Hospital, May M. Parsons of 2200 19th st. n.w., beloved wife of the late Oswald B. Parsons, mother of Mrs. Katherine P. Reynolds, Mrs. Dorothy P Howard of Washington, D.C., the late Miriam Parsons, Mrs. Helen P. Marr, and Elizabeth Parsons, sister of Mrs. Georgie A. Keating, Dallas, Tex., Mrs. Lela Rumberger, Mrs. Mary H. Hoover, Arlington, Va., Mrs. Ethel Souders of Olean, New York. She also is survived by a stepmother, Mrs. Aline Grove of Arlington, Va. Services at the S.H. Hines Funeral Home, 2901 14th st. n.w., on Friday, December 6 at 2 p.m. (parking facilities). Interment Congressional Cemetery.

Parsons, May M. On Wednesday, December 4, 1957, at Washington, D.C., May M. Parsons, member of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, and the AVUPS. Remains resting at the S.H. Hines C. Funeral Home, 2901 14th st. n.w. Services at the above funeral home on Friday, December 6, at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery. Members of the Union are invited to attend the funeral services.

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Mrs. Oswald B. Parsons, 92, Retired Printer at GPO

Mrs. Oswald B. Parsons, 92, of 2200 Nineteenth street N.W., died yesterday in Garfield Hospital after an illness of several months. She was the former Miss May Myrtle Grove.

Mrs. Parsons' husband, a construction superintendent, who helped build the District Building, died in 1908.

After his death, Mrs. Parsons joined the Government Printing Office, where she worked as a printer, monotype operator and proofreader until her retirement about 30 years ago.

She learned to set type by hand in her father's printing office in Washington, Va., and at one time was considered the fastest typesetter in the East.

Mrs. Parsons was born in Clarksburg, W. Va. She came to Washington in 1887, when she was married. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church, Sixteenth and O streets N.W.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Katherine P. Reynolds of 4550 Connecticut avenue N.W., and Mrs. Dorothy P. Howard of the Nineteenth street address; a granddaughter, Mrs. Mae Louise Harbold of 5924 Wilmett drive, Bethesda; three great-grandchildren; her 100 year-old step-mother, Mrs. Allen Grove of 233 North Thomas street, Arlington and four step-sisters, Mrs. Lelah Rumberger and Mrs. Mary H. Hoover, both of the Arlington address, and Mrs. Georgie A. Keating of Dallas, Tex., and Mrs. Ethel Souders of Olean, N.Y.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow in the S.H. Hines Funeral Home, with burial in Congressional Cemetery.