Thomas E. Pyles

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The Evening Star, December 9, 1867 Dead

Mr. Thomas E. Pyles, a well-known citizen of Washington, died at his residence on the Navy Yard last evening, in the 46th year of his age. His funeral will take place from the East Washington M.E. Church (of which he was a member) tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Harmony Lodge and Magenenu Encampment, Knights of Pythias, and Rechabites, to which organizations he belonged, will attend.

The Evening Star, December 11, 1867 Funeral

The funeral of the late Thomas E. Pyles took place yesterday afternoon from the East Washington M.E. Church, and was very largely attended. The services were conducted by Rev. G.W. Leech, the pastor, who spoke of the character of the deceased. The following organizations were present: Liberty Lodge and Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, headed by Shroeder's Band; Columbia Division, Sons of Temperance, Eagle Tent of Rechabites, Harmony Lodge, No. 9, and Magnenu Encampment of Odd Fellows, headed by Prosperi's Band. The following were the pall-bearers -- J.D. Edwards and T.E. Webster, of the Sons of Temperance, Joshua Cooksey and Samuel Shipton, of the Rechabites, Thomas Goss and O. Tolson, of the Odd Fellows, and M. McNallery and John H. Berney of the Knights. At the grave the services of the Odd Fellows were conducted by Chaplain S.A.H. Marks of the Rechabites by Chaplain W.G. Brock, and of the Knights by P.G.C. J.H. Rathbone. The different organizations were out in large numbers.