Owen C. Ryon, Sr.

(1865 - 12 Jan 1944)

Ryon, Sergt. Owen C., Sr., On Wednesday, January 12, 1944, at Sibley Memorial Hospital, Sergt. Owen C. Ryon, Sr., of 418 11th st. n.e., Apt. 6, beloved husband of the late Mary G. Ryon and father of Mrs. Annie E. Drury, Mrs. Florence M. Robinson, Jessie L. Gill and Louis O. and Owen C. Ryon, jr. Funeral from the James T. Ryan funeral home, 317 Pa. ave. s.e., on Saturday, January 15, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

Ryon, Owen C. Comrades of the Association of Retired Policemen will assemble at the Ryan funeral home, 317 Pa. ave. s.e., on Saturday, January 15, 1944, at 1:45 p.m., to attend the funeral of our deceased comrade, Owen C. Ryan.

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Owen Ryon 78, Dies; Retired Policemen

Owen C. Ryon, 78, retired District police sergeant, died last night at Sibley Hospital. He lived at 418 Eleventh street N.E.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Ryan funeral home, 317 Pennsylvania avenue S.E. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Born in Nottingham, Md., Mr. Ryon had been a resident of the District since he was 19 years old. He served on the police force from 1892 until his retirement on January 31, 1926. Twice cited, once for rescuing a woman from a burning building and once for the arrest of two lawbreakers, Mr. Ryon served in the fifth, ninth and eleventh precincts.

He was a member of the Association of Retired Policemen and the Centennial Baptist Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Florence M. Robertson, Mrs. Annie E. Drury and Mrs. Jessie L. Gi, all of Washington; two sons, Louis O., Washington, and Owen C. Ryon, jr., of Forestville, Md.; a brother, Albert Ryon of Washington; a half-sister, Mrs. Margaret Duley of Croom, Md.; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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Funeral services for Owen C. Ryon, 78, retired police sergeant, who died at Sibley Hospital Wednesday night, will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. at the Ryan funeral home at 317 Pennsylvania ave. se. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Born in Nottingham, Md., Sergeant Ryon was appointed to the Metropolitan Police Force in June of 1892. His service record showed two commendations, one in June, 1924, when he saved the life of a woman who was trapped in a burning building, and the other in 1909, when he captured two men who were operating a still. Retired January 21, 1926, Sergeant Ryon served in the Fifth, Ninth and Eleventh Precincts.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Florence M. Robertson, Mrs. Annie E. Drury and Mrs. Jessie L. Gill, all of Washington; two sons, Louis O. Ryon of Washington and Owen C. Ryon, jr., of Forrestville, Md.; and six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.