

<b>Almy, Alida G.</b>	b. 1833 – d. 27 May 1911	77 yrs.	<b>R51/230</b>
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Second wife of Rear Admiral John J. Almy.

*Washington Star, May 28, 1911*

*Funeral of Mrs. Almy -- Widow of the Admiral Will Be Buried Beside Husband's Grave*

The funeral of Mrs. Alida Gardner Almy, widow of Rear Admiral Almy, who died at the family home, 1019 Vermont Avenue Northwest, early yesterday morning, will be held from her late home at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, Rev. Edward H. Ingle of the Church of the Epiphany officiating. The interment will be in Congressional Cemetery, beside the grave of her husband.

Mrs. Almy was born in this city at the family home on New Jersey Avenue, Capitol Hill, December 14, seventy-eight years ago. Her father was Col. C.K. Gardner, U.S.A., and her mother was Eliza McLain, who came from the New York family of that name. Mrs. Almy was married to the admiral in New York City, and spent the first years of her wedded life on Capitol Hill. For the past thirty-three years or more she made her home in the house on Vermont Avenue, which was built by the admiral, and where he died May 16, 1895.

Mrs. Almy had enjoyed good health up to about April 27, when her fatal illness began. She leaves one son, Augustus G. Almy, who lives at Coronado Beach, Cal., and two daughters -- Mrs. Annie Haines of this city, widow of Maj. John T. Haines, U.S.A., who died at Fort Sam Houston, Tex. about two weeks ago, and Mrs. Sadie Price of New York City, wife of H. Brooks Price, an architect.

Mrs. Almy was well known among the old families of Washington as a woman of strong personal qualities and firm friendships. She had always been interested in the work of the Episcopal Church, being connected in early life with Trinity Church, on Capitol Hill, and later with the Church of the Epiphany.

<b>Almy, Charles G.</b>	b. 13 Dec 1851 - d. 2 Sep 1903	51 yrs.	<b>R51/227</b>
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Son of Rear Admiral John J. Almy. At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 1019 Vermont Ave., N.W. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Plummer, assistant pastor of the Church of the Epiphany, assisted by Rev. William Taylor Snyder, rector of the Church of the Incarnation who was a lifelong friend of the deceased. The services which were private were the customary rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church and no address was made. There were present at the house members of the family and a few intimate friends. The pall bearers were Dr. William Penn Compton, Mr. John C. Poor, Mr. Archibald Hopkins, Captain William Hopkins, USMC, Mr. Eugene B. Wills and Mr. DeBree Higgins.

*The Evening Star, September 2, 1903, p. 3*

*Charles G. Almy Dead*

*Was a son of the Late Rear Admiral Almy*

*Heat Prostration the Primary Cause of Death--*

*Funeral to Occur Tomorrow Afternoon*

Charles G. Almy, aged 50 years, whose home was at 1019 Vermont avenue northwest, died at 3 o'clock this morning at the Emergency Hospital. His death was due to heat prostration.

Mr. Almy was the son of the late Rear Admiral Almy and brother of Lieutenant Commander A.C. Almy, at present on the Marblehead. He returned from a trip to Cape May two weeks ago yesterday, because business matters demanded his attention in the city. Friday afternoon he was overcome with the heat at the Metropolitan Club and was removed to the Emergency Hospital by Dr. Dunn, who had been called from the hospital with the ambulance. His condition did not seem to be serious at that time, but alarming symptoms appeared Monday afternoon. He continued to grow worse, and Dr. William P. Crompton, the family physician, was called in. A telegram was sent to his mother, Mrs. Almy, and a sister, Miss Sarah Almy, who have been spending the summer on Narragansett bay, informing them of the serious condition of Mr. Almy.

When his mother and sister arrived in the city last night Miss Almy went directly from the train to the hospital, where she found her brother unconscious. A number of prominent physicians were called in for consultation and were around the bedside at midnight. Along them were Dr. Crompton, Dr. H.L.E. Johnson, Dr. George N. Acker and Drs. Dunn and Perkins. They entertained no hopes of Mr. Almy's recovery. As stated, he died three hours later.

*Native of Washington*

Mr. Almy was born in Washington in 1854. He went into the Pennsylvania railroad shops and worked for the road for twenty years. He resigned to accept a position with the Carpenter Steel Company of Reading, Pa., which he represented at the time of his death. He has resided with his mother at their home on Vermont avenue since the death of his father. He was prominent in social circles and a member of the Metropolitan Club and of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion. Besides the members of the family mentioned, another sister, Mrs. J.T. Haines, whose husband is in the army, survives him.

The funeral services will be from his late residence at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, and will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Plummer, assistant pastor of Epiphany Church. The interment in Congressional cemetery will be private. The pallbearers had not been selected at a late hour today, but the Loyal Legion and probably the Metropolitan Club will be represented.

*The Evening Star, September 4, 1903, p. 3*

*Last Rites Over Dead**Funeral of Charles Gardner Almy Yesterday Afternoon*

The funeral of Charles Gardner Almy, who died last Wednesday morning, took place at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 1019 Vermont avenue northwest. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Blummer, assistant pastor of the Church of the Epiphany, assisted by Rev. William Taylor Snyder, rector of the Church of the Incarnation. The latter had been a friend of Mr. Almy for many years. The services were private and consisted of the customary rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church, without an address. A few intimate friends and the members of the family were present. The interment was in the Congressional cemetery.

The pallbearers were Dr. William Penn Compton, Mr. John C. Poor, Mr. Archibald Hopkins, Capt. William Hopkins, U.S.M.C.; Mr. Eugene B. Wills and Mr. J. DeBree Higgins.

**Almy, Rear Admiral John Jay**

d. 16 May 1895

80 yrs.

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Almy. On Thursday, May 16, 1895, at 3:07 a.m., John J. Almy, at his home, 1019 Vermont avenue. Funeral will take place from the Church of the Epiphany Saturday, May 18, at 4 p.m. Kindly omit flowers.

*Washington Star, May 16, 1895*

*Admiral Almy Dead -- The Old Naval Hero Passes Away At His Home In This City*

The expected end of Admiral John J. Almy came at a few minutes after 3 o'clock this morning, at his home, 1019 Vermont Avenue. He end was a peaceful one, and was a fitting close to a long and active career.

All through the day the admiral had been sinking, and his family and friends knew that nothing short of a miracle could prolong his life beyond a few hours. Yesterday morning, it was thought the end was near, but he was given strong restoratives and heart tonics, though they all knew that the rally was only artificial and temporary. During the afternoon his mind began to wander, but he did not altogether lose consciousness until a later hour last night. The admiral's last illness was of considerable duration, and for several weeks past he had been confined to his bed.

With the admiral when he died were Mrs. Almy, Miss Almy and the eldest son, Mr. Charles G. Almy. Admiral Almy leaves two other sons - - Lieut. William E. Almy of the fifth cavalry and Lieut. August C. Almy of the United States ship *Husler* -- and another daughter, Mrs. John T. Haines, wife of Lieut. Haines, also of the fifth cavalry, now stationed at Springfield, Mass.



Funeral Arrangements -- There were many callers at the Almy residence on Vermont Avenue today, and more letters and notes of sympathy. A large number of floral remembrances were sent, but the family are particularly desirous that these tokens of friendship be dispensed with.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Church of the Ephiphany and the pastor of the church, Rev. Dr. McKim, will conduct the services. The interment will be made at Congressional Cemetery, instead of at Arlington, as it might have been had the family so elected.

The following gentlemen, personal friends of the Admiral, have been asked to act as pallbearers: Admiral Hughes, Admiral Upshur, Admiral Jouett, Admiral Roe, Pay Director Cuswell, Gen. Vincent, Gen. Drum, Judge Hagner and Mr. Chas. Abert. A detachment of sailors will serve as active pallbearers, and a company of Marines will be ordered to accompany the remains. The Military Order of the Royal Legion and the Association of California Fortyniners will be represented at the funeral. The Navy Department had not been officially notified of the death of Admiral Almy this afternoon, so that no action has been taken to provide an official escort. No general order has been issued from the department, as it is not the custom to issue them in the case of retired officers of the Navy.

Admiral Almy's Career -- Rear Admiral John J. Almy was born in 1815, in Rhode Island, and in 1829 was appointed a midshipman in the Navy. His first cruise was in the Mediterranean, and later he was on duty in southern waters along the coast of Brazil. Promoted to mast midshipman in 1835, he was attached to the receiving ship *New York*, and afterward served for three years on the *Cyane*, in the Mediterranean, as acting master and navigator. In 1841 he was made a lieutenant, and saw considerable duty in the West Indies and on the coast of Africa. He first saw active service of a warlike sort on the *Ohio*, in 1847, in the Gulf of Mexico and on the Pacific coast during the Mexican War. He took part in the siege and capture of Vera Cruz and in the capture of Tuspan, and in 1848, while the navy was in occupation of Mazatlan, he commanded one of the forts. After the Mexican War, he gave five years service to the coast survey, and was then ordered to the command of the *Fulton*, during the operations of the navy on the coast of Central America, consequent upon the filibustering expedition of Gen. Walker to that region. It was on board of the *Fulton*, at Nicaragua, that Walker surrendered to Rear Admiral Baulting. The latter officer commended Lieut. Almy highly for his services in this crisis, saying of him: "He performed his part of the work exceedingly well, and is an officer who can be relied upon at all times." Lieut. Almy continued in command of the *Fulton* during and until after the Paraguay expedition, when he was attached to the New York navy yard. He was commissioned commander in April 1861, just as the civil war broke out, and was constantly in command during the year along the Atlantic coast. While on this duty, in command of the *Connecticut*, he captured and sent in four noted blockade-running steamers, laden with valuable cargoes, while he ran ashore and destroyed three others.

Being promoted to a captaincy in 1865, he was placed in command of the *Juanita*, and while cruising on the coast of Brazil, he rescued the Brazilian brig *America* and her crew from shipwreck, for which he was thanked by Emperor Dom Pedro of Brazil. After receiving his commission as Commodore in 1869 he was stationed here as the chief signal officer of the navy, and served as such for two years. He was made rear admiral in August, 1873, and at once ordered to the command of the naval forces in the Pacific. Two months after receiving this assignment, a serious revolution broke out in Panama, and the city of that name and the railroad crossing the isthmus were in great danger of being destroyed. Admiral Almy only had the *Pensacola* and *Benicia* at hand, but he took immediate steps to protect the property and lives of the residents. He landed a force of men and prevented the disturbance of European as well as American citizens, and so well was the railroad communication across the isthmus assured that passengers, freight and specie passed over it during the prevalence of the trouble without interference or molestation. For this Admiral Almy received the thanks of the Panama and the Pacific rail companies as well as of all the consuls and the foreign merchants of Panama. He was retired under the operations of late in April 1877, and two years previous had been presented by King Kalakaua of Hawaii with the order of King Kamehameha I, in recognition of the courtesies shown to the king on the occasion of his visit to the United States.

Admiral Almy had the honor of performing the largest amount of sea service credited to any officer of the navy, having seen twenty-seven years and ten months of his duty, his shore or other duty having been fourteen years and eight months.

*Washington Star, May 18, 1895*  
*Funeral of Admiral Almy*

Funeral services will be held at the Church of the Epiphany this afternoon at 4 o'clock over the remains of Rear Admiral John Jay Almy, retired, who died this city early Thursday morning. The services will be conducted by Rev. Dr. McKim, rector of the church, and the interment will be at Congressional Cemetery. The pallbearers selected are Admiral Hughes, Admiral Upshur, Admiral Jouett, Admiral Roe, Pay Director Caswell, Gen. Vincent, Gen. Drum, Judge Hagner and Mr. Chas. Abert. A detachment of sailors will serve as body bearers and a company of marines will be at the cemetery to pay the last military tribute to the dead, by firing a volley over the grave and the sounding of "taps" by a bugler, stationed at its head. The military order of the Loyal Legion and the Association of California Forty-niners have arranged to attend the funeral in a body.

*The Evening Star, June 1, 1895*

The will of the late Rear Admiral John Almy, dated November 13, 1886, was filed yesterday afternoon and appoints the widow of the deceased, Alida G. Almy, executrix. The insignia of the order of Kamehameha, presented to the deceased by the late King Kalakaua, is given to Charles J. Amy, a son, and a silver brick is given to another son, Wm. E. Amy, a third son, Augustus C. Almy being given the swords, belts, uniforms and naval books of his father. The daughters, Ann E. and Sarah G. Almy are to have \$5,000 life insurance, the family jewelry and a home with the widow as long as they remain unmarried. The widow is to have life estate in the residue of the estate, and at her death it is to be divided among the children.

<b>Almy, Sarah Gardner</b>	d. 10 Dec 1871	44 yrs.	<b>R51/228</b>
First wife of Rear Admiral John J. Almy.			