

Name	Birth/Death	Age	Range/Site
Bassett, Adaline V.	d. 27 Dec 1897		R32/187
Bassett. Entered into eternal rest, December 27, 1897, at 12:15 p.m., Mrs. Adeline V. Bassett, widow on the late Capt. Isaac Bassett. Funeral from her late residence, 18 2d street northeast, Thursday, December 30, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited.			
<i>The Evening Star, December 29, 1897</i>			
<i>Mrs. Bassett's Funeral</i>			
<i>Last Rites Over Her Remains to Occur Tomorrow</i>			
Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Adaline V. Bassett, widow of Isaac Bassett, whose sudden death was announced in yesterday's Star, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from her late residence, No. 18 2d street northeast. Rev. Mr. Luccock of the Metropolitan Presbyterian Church will officiate at the services, and interment will be made at Congressional Cemetery.			
The death of Mrs. Bassett occurred on the 59th anniversary of her wedding. She will be mourned by a great number of acquaintances and will be missed in church circles, where she has figured so conspicuously in all charitable work. She was greatly beloved by her friends and highly respected by all who knew her and were acquainted with her good deeds.			
Bassett, Agur	d. 30 Apr 1860	71 yrs.	R87/84
Bassett. Agur Bassett of dropsy in the 72d year of his age. The friends of the family are requested to attend his funeral from his residence, No. 22, East Capitol st., the 2d instant at 4 o'clock p.m.			
Bassett, Alice Rebecca	d. 9 Oct 1844	2 yrs.	R55/68
Bassett. On the 9th instant, Alice Rebecca, daughter of Isaac and Adeline Bassett, aged 2 years. The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral this afternoon at 2 o'clock.			
Bassett, Alma	d. 16 Sep 1886	1 yr. 8 mos. 26 days	R89/115
Bassett. On September 16, 1886 at 1 a.m., Alma, daughter of George W. and Maggie Bassett, aged 1 year 8 months 28 days. Funeral from residence of parents, 1819 I street northeast, Sunday, 19th inst. at 9 a.m.			
Bassett, Anna A.	d. 4 Jun 1901	63 yrs.	R33/189
Bassett. On Tuesday, June 4, 1901 at 12:45 a.m., Anna A., widow of the late Robert E. Bassett and beloved daughter of Mrs. G. Douglas Carpenter. Funeral from her late residence, 1023 E. Capitol street, Thursday at 4:30 p.m. Friends and relatives are invited to attend. Interment private.			
Bassett, Anna J.	d. 17 Jun 1906		R43/82
Bassett. On Sunday, June 17, 1906, Mrs. Annie J. Bassett, widow of the late W.W. Bassett, U.S.N. Funeral from St. Peter's Church, Tuesday morning, June 19 at 9 o'clock. Interment Congressional Cemetery.			
Bassett, Arthur C.	d. 12 Dec 1884	7 yrs. 5 mos. 23 days	R32/189
Bassett. On Friday, December 12, 1884, at 9 a.m., of scarlet fever, Arthur C. Bassett, youngest son of Robert T. and Anna A. Bassett, aged 7 years 5 months and 23 days. Funeral private from 318 A street northeast.			
Bassett, Catharine B.	d. 3 Jan 1902	78 yrs.	R87/85
Bassett. On Friday morning, January 3, 1902 at 12:15 o'clock, Catharine B., widow of John M. Bassett, aged 78 years. Funeral from 508 C street southeast, Saturday, at 3 p.m. Interment at Congressional Cemetery.			
Bassett, Mrs. Clarinda M.	d. 27 Oct 1864	26 yrs.	R87/83
Bassett. On Thursday the 27th inst. After a lingering illness, Clarinda M. Bassett, wife of George A. Bassett in the 27th year of her age. The friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend the funeral tomorrow (Friday) morning at 11 o'clock.			
Bassett, Edward Bromley	d. 9 Jan 1855	4 mos. 18 days	R33/190
Bassett. On the 9th instant, Edward Bromley, son of Robert and Susan Bassett, aged 4 months 18 days.			
Bassett, George A.	d. 9 Feb 1885	52 yrs.	R87/83
Bassett. On Monday, February 9th, 1885, at 12:30 a.m., George A. Bassett, in the fifty-third year of his age. Funeral will take place from his late residence, 824 I street northwest, on Wednesday, February 11th instant at 2 p.m.			

Bassett, Isaac

b. 4 Aug 1819 - d. 19 Dec 1895

R32/188

Bassett. On Wednesday, December 18, 1895, Capt. Isaac Bassett. Funeral service will be held at 1st Presbyterian Church, 4 1/2 street n.w., Sunday, December 22 at 2:30 p.m. Short service will be held at residence at 1:45 p.m. by Rev. Dr. John Chester. Relatives and friends invited.



Capt. Isaac Bassett - For Over Sixty Years An Employee of the Senate.

The Evening Star, December 19, 1895

Capt. Isaac Bassett's Death

The Venerable Senate Employee Passes Peacefully Away

His Services at the Capitol--Arrangements for the Funeral--

An Interesting Career Closed

Capt. Isaac Bassett died at 4:10 o'clock yesterday afternoon, surrounded by members of his family. There were present his wife, who has passed her seventy-fourth year of age, his sons, Isaac A. and George T., his brother and his sister. The death of Capt. Bassett was expected for several weeks, and there were many times when it did not seem possible for him to live more than a few hours, but his wonderful vitality frequently surprised his attending physician, and time and again he rallied, when it seemed that his life was ebbing away. It was known for a long time that his disease could not be other than fatal, and the autopsy verified the belief that he suffered from a cancer of the pancreas and a large pyloric orifice of the stomach.

His Last Moments

Capt. Bassett was conscious almost to the last moment of his life, although he had not been able to converse with his friends for some days, and during the twenty-four hours preceding his death the lower part of his body had been practically lifeless. But he could recognize his friends about his bedside, and clung to their hands affectionately as his end approached. Many Senators called at his home 18 Second street northeast, and Dr. Sunderland, his pastor, was there daily.

As long as the captain lived his mind dwelled on the old familiar scenes of the Senate, and he would inquire of the doings there so long as he had the power of speech.

His Long and Faithful Service

For the first time in sixty-four years the reassembling of the present Congress found Capt. Bassett absent from the Senate Chamber. The second page of that body and appointed at the instance of Daniel Webster, Bassett became an object of interest as the years passed by. He was always faithful to his duties and was promoted to be assistant doorkeeper of the Senate, which position he has held for over a generation. His father was from Connecticut, and removed to this city about a hundred years ago; his grandfather, Isaac Bassett, having been a soldier in the Revolutionary War. During the war he organized a company for the defense of the capital with Senator Gorman, who had served under him as a page, as lieutenant, and it was by this service he gained the title of captain. He had been an eye witness to numberless interesting scenes in Congress, and as a confidential employee was never known to betray his trust. The full story of Capt. Bassett's interesting life was lately published in The Star.

Funeral Arrangements Incomplete

Up to 2:30 o'clock today the Senate had taken no action in relation to the funeral of the late Capt. Bassett. It was thought by many that in consideration of the long service of the late assistant doorkeeper of the United States Senate, a "senatorial funeral" might be given him. But it is very doubtful if this will be done. It is likely, however, that an appropriation will be made covering the expenses of the funeral, and that a committee of Senators will be appointed to attend the ceremony.

The Senate Takes Notice

In executive session this afternoon the death of Capt. Bassett was referred to and the question of what the Senate should do in relation thereto was briefly discussed. No action was taken, but a resolution will probably be introduced in open session tomorrow by Mr. Sherman suggesting a proper course for the Senate. This resolution will commend the faithful services of Capt. Bassett.

The Evening Star, December 10, 1895

Webster's Protege

Capt. Bassett Appointed Through the Statesman's Influence

*Sixty-Four Years of Public Service**The White-Haired Assistant Doorkeeper Now on His Death Bed**An Interesting Career*

There has been no more picturesque personality about the United States Capitol than Captain Isaac Bassett, the assistant doorkeeper of the Senate, whose death is momentarily expected. Sixty-four years of service under the government has had no influence to cause him to feel that he any claim for a continuation of his official place except the claim that would arise because of duties well and conscientiously performed. He has proved faithful in his humble capacity, which carried with its duties often commensurate with a much higher place. He has always been as kindhearted as a child, his life as simple as a child's, his every action prompted by motives of honor. From his earliest days he has occupied a place of trust and he has regarded a violation of confidence as the most grievous sin man could commit.

Sketch of His Life

Captain Bassett was born in this city in 1819, his father having come to Washington from Connecticut to take a position at the Capitol, being employed about the Senate as a doorkeeper when young Isaac, a bright and docile boy of twelve years, was appointed a page at the instance of Daniel Webster. Isaac would frequently go over to the Capitol with his father and busy himself about any work he could do. He would help make fires, and an orderly instinct caused him to improve the appearance of the Senators' desk when they came to the Capitol at noon. He was always alert and ready to run an errand, and before long he became a pet--a Senate mascot. A lovable little fellow, he won the heart of Daniel Webster, among others, and Webster took occasion to see that the boy would not be lost in the Senate by having him appointed a page, he being the second page to serve that body.

Young Isaac was the recipient of many favors at the hands of Daniel Webster. The latter would frequently call him to his side, take him upon his knee and talk to him kindly. The little page had no cause to fear the austere statesman in those days, but the time was to come when their relations became more formal. Captain Bassett never forgot the day when this change came about. Mr. Webster wanted a carriage and he sent Isaac to find one. The boy walked around the Capitol, but the ever-present hackmen were for once out of sight. He went to the Senate and going familiarly up to the statesman whom so many held in awe said:

"There are no carriages, Senator. They've all gone."

There was no carriage! Perhaps Mr. Webster thought the boy had verged on that line where "familiarity breeds contempt," and that he had been indifferent to his command. He turned on the page, annoyed at the delay he suffered in not being able to leave the Capitol when he wished, and, with the severity for which he was so well known on greater occasions, said:

"Get me a carriage; get one if you have to go to Georgetown!:"

From that moment Isaac no longer approached Webster as a child might approach its father. He always went to him formally, as a soldier might go to a martinet, and no overtures on the part of Webster could draw the child to him as of old. The rebuke nearly frightened the life out of young Isaac, and he found a carriage. There were no street cars in those days, no telephone to quickly communicate with a livery stable, but if a carriage were wanted, it was necessary to find it somewhere--anwhere. Capt. Bassett never forgot how he ran on that occasion, here, there, everywhere, wondering whether there was a conspiracy among the hackmen to keep out of his way, nervously looking back to see if Webster, whose austerity was riveted on his memory, was giving him chase. Finally he got the coveted vehicle and Webster was appeased.

Strange stories have been told about the effect of this rebuke on young Bassett. A favorite story is that the boy's hair turned white while Webster looked at him, but the explanation of this fiction is that the Bassett family were given to gray hair early in life, and the captain's began to turn white when he was quite a young man.

A Familiar Figure

No Senator has been pointed out to so many visitors to the Capitol as has Capt. Bassett. For a generation he has been one of the sights of the building as little to be overlooked as would be the marble room adjoining the Senate, or the echo stones in the old House of Representatives. It was before the war that he was made assistant doorkeeper of the Senate. At the assembling of the Senate he could always be seen at the left hand of the Vice President. He stood reverentially as the chaplain asked a divine blessing on the proceedings of Congress. Tall, always attired with scrupulous neatness, for many years wearing a black broadcloth Prince Albert coat, his long white beard and hoary locks allowed to grow to his shoulders and brushed to a marvelous degree of precision, his serene countenance and ever watchful eye, are features of his appearance remembered by every one who has seen Capt. Isaac Bassett, assistant doorkeeper of the Senate. It was his

proud claim that he never missed a single session, day or night, of the Senate since 1831, until two years ago, when he broke down during the night sessions when the repeal of the Sherman law was being considered. But he still could claim, until the meeting of the present Congress that he had never missed the opening of Congress for sixty-four years. It bore upon him heavily when he realized that he could not be in the Senate when the Fifty-fourth Congress was called to order, and from noon of that day his attendants noted that he grew worse. All during the summer and fall Capt. Bassett hoped to be able to be at the Capitol on December 3, and as that day approached and he did not gain strength, he still hoped he would be able to be taken over to his accustomed place, even if he were to remain but a short time.

Capt. Bassett has not enjoyed a sinecure all his life. During late years he has been relieved from much of the active work that fell to him formerly, A.H. Stewart, his assistant on the floor assuming many of his duties. But for years he was to the Senate what an executive officer is to a man-of-war. Everything was in his keeping, and if any Senator had a complaint to make, he made it to the captain. The Senate has always been a fastidious body, and Capt. Bassett knew the Spanish proverb, "There is no such thing as a trifle." He was everywhere familiar with every detail of the Senate, so far as it related to the material comfort of that body, and never merited reproach for an oversight. All the pages looked upon him as a father and he ruled them by love rather than through discipline.

His Home Life

Capt. Bassett's home life has been a happy one. For many years he has lived on 2d street just north of East Capitol. The house was built many years ago, and has a comfortable side yard, while the captain's love of whatever has age led him to preserve above his door the old number, marked in gilt letters, which designated his home before the present numbering was adopted. He looked upon the "No. 18" as a usurper of "No. 387." His wife is living and he has two sons, Isaac Bassett, jr., and Geo. Bassett, and a daughter, while there is an Isaac Bassett the third, who was a page in the Senate until he developed into manhood, when he sought other employment. In 1888 Capt. and Mrs. Bassett celebrated their golden wedding, and on that occasion they received a number of presents from members of the United States Senate, as well as a handsome written testimonial signed by Henry B. Anthony, and accompanied by a portrait of himself in oil.

Capt. Bassett is one of two men employed in the service of the Senate who are appropriated by name. Besides his salary of \$2,694 per annum, he is given \$500 by direct appropriation.

Faithful to His Trust

Many are the stories that are told of Capt. Bassett, nearly all of them being instances of the great fidelity to duty. During the war Capt. Bassett went into the Senate to find several soldiers busy defacing the desk formerly occupied by Jefferson Davis. They were hacking the woodwork with their bayonets. Bassett promptly went to them and in his quiet way remarked:

"That desk was used by Mr. Davis, but it's the property of the United States, and I am here to protect it. Please don't touch it again."

The captain's argument was heeded, and the desk remains in the Senate now, being used by Senator Cockrell of Missouri.

Capt. Bassett was a lover of relics. Every desk in the Senate had a history known to him. These desks are nearly all of great age, though they are kept in such thorough repair that they have the appearance of being new. He could tell who had used each desk, and his mind was filled with personal incidents connected with the Senate property. It was such things that appealed to him. He knew little about the political business of the Senate, and while he thought little of the great political significance of a speech, he would remember the speech and its peculiar effect on the Senate and the occupants of the galleries. He had no politics, except that he was an intense Union man, and to him the country was one, and political divisions seemed insignificant. All Senators were simply "Senators" to him, and that title called the forth his most intense interest and respect. It was enough for him to know that a Senator wanted something. He was sure to have it if the captain could supply it. Republicans and democrats were alike to him. They were all kind to him, and he knew they were all "Senators."

It Wasn't Cocked

An instance occurred about a quarter of a century ago which showed how cool Capt. Bassett could be under trying circumstances. It was in connection with that famous exciting scene which took place in the Senate lobby when Senator Willard Saulsbury was to be quieted, and the inoffensive Bassett was chosen to approach him in order to pacify him. The former didn't quite understand what Capt. Bassett was going to do, and drawing a pistol, he placed its muzzle to the captain's chest, saying, in an excited tone of voice:

"If you touch me, I'll kill you."

Capt. Bassett didn't wince, and the pistol was not fired. When he talked of the incident, which brought him many congratulations for his coolness, he said:

"But I looked at the pistol, and saw it wasn't cocked."

When there was a high state of excitement prevalent during the Tilden electoral incident, it was the duty of Capt. Bassett to carry papers from one house of Congress to the other. An innocent participant in the proceeding, yet Capt. Bassett was the victim of a good deal of hard feeling, and he received anonymous letters threatening his life. However absurd this inclination to wreak vengeance on the inoffensive official may appear, he was, in a measure, a target for cranks, but he maintained his outward calm aspect for which he was always known.

His Reminiscences

A favorite theme of Capt. Bassett has been his declared determination to write a book of reminiscences, and it is known that he has a couple of trunks filled with material with which to construct his work. He is supposed to have considerable manuscript in shape to be published, but being very reticent about all his actions there is no one who has a very definite idea of what his material consists. It is supposed to be made up mostly of incidents relating to personal matters which have occurred in the Senate within his memory and of which he has been an eye witness. As he cared little for political questions, and took no interest in them, it is not likely that any papers he has left contain more than sketches of personal incidents.

Many stories are related of the simplicity of the life of Capt. Bassett. He was entirely free from anything that could in the most remote way be termed a dissipation. He was a total abstainer from tobacco. He hardly knew the taste of wine, but he did indulge in pinches of snuff, a habit, he acquired in the old days in the Senate, and he always had charge of the senatorial snuff boxes, which remain in the Senate chamber to this day, though they have become obsolete. The captain has been presented with a number of handsome snuff boxes, and he has exchanged pinches of snuff with many of the most famous men in the history of this country.

In The Same Company

Senator Gorman has always had an especially kind place in his heart for Capt. Bassett, whose acquaintance he made when, as a page, he revered the captain and regarded him as one of the greatest men in the country. Mr. Gorman knew Capt. Bassett quite well in his early days. During the war, when the venerable assistant doorkeeper was elected captain of a military company in the District of Columbia, young Gorman was chosen a lieutenant in the same command. The company was drilled by Capt. Bassett, and it became proficient as one of the means for defending the Capitol. It was never called out in active service, however. It was by this service that Mr. Bassett became "Capt." Bassett, as he has since been known.

The Evening Star, December 24, 1888

Two Golden Weddings

Two of Them Occur on the Same Evening

Next Thursday evening the fiftieth anniversary of the marriages of two old citizens of Washington, Capt. Isaac Bassett and James M. Wright, esq., will occur.

Capt. Bassett was born in this city August 4, 1819. His father came here in the early days of this city from Connecticut and his mother from Ireland. He attended the preparatory department of Columbian college. Before he was twelve years old he was appointed page in the Senate through the influence of Daniel Webster. He has remained in the service of the Senate ever since, and is now assistant sergeant-at-arms. He has been in service 58 years, and is the oldest employee of the government.

The Evening Star, December 28, 1888

Two Golden Weddings

Full of Honors and Years--Testimonials of Friends

The fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Capt. Isaac Bassett to Miss Adeline Hurdle was celebrated last night by the two particularly interested parties and by a number of other persons who were only incidentally interested. The home of the happy couple, at No 18 2d street northeast, was crowded yesterday evening from 7 to 11 o'clock, and the 69 year old official and his wife, just three years younger, received the congratulations of a host of visitors, many of whom have known the assistant doorkeeper for the greater portion of the 57 years which he has spent in the service of the Senate. Two sons, Mr. G.T. Bassett, of the pension office, and Mr. Isaac A. Bassett, of the post office, were present, and so was Mr. Grafton D. Henson, who was one of Capt. Bassett's supporters on the occasion of his marriage.

Among the numerous presents received were a silver tray from several Senators, accompanied by a note from Senator Evarts; a gold card receiver, from the Senate pages; a gold urn, from Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Winner, of New York; and a music box, from Mr. G.T. Bassett. Gold coins were sent by several persons, but a bouquet, from Mrs. Cleveland to Mrs. Bassett, had the place of honor, and was apparently the most high-valued gift received.

Congressional Cemetery Newsletter, January 1997

Historical Profile: Isaac Bassett

Isaac Bassett (R32/188) had a 64 year career in the U.S. Senate beginning in 1831 with his appointment as a page at age 12. His papers and artifacts have recently been donated to the Senate and are the basis for an exhibit in the Capitol on display until September.

Simeon Bassett (R77/D-4), Isaac's father, was a stone mason who worked on the Capitol reconstruction following the fire of 1814. Later he was Senate doorkeeper. When Daniel Webster determined that the one page then working in the Senate needed assistance, he sought Isaac's appointment. Instead of attending school with his contemporaries, Isaac waited on the likes of Webster and Henry Clay filling sand shakers and cutting quill pens. He was a Senate employee the rest of his life.

As an adult, Bassett was assistant Doorkeeper for the Senate. He performed many of the ceremonial and caretaking chores--assigning senators' seats, carrying the electoral ballot boxes to the House chamber after each presidential election, and turning back the clock to delay the conclusion of a Senate session. He also supervised the pages. One of his charges, Arthur P. Gorman, later returned as a senator from Maryland and Democratic floor leader.

Bassett received gifts at landmarks in his career. Senators subscribed for two: a portrait commissioned in 1876 and a silver Tiffany snuff box commemorating the 50th anniversary of his service in 1881. These and other gifts from his fellow employees are included in the exhibit.

By the end of his career, Bassett embodied the tradition and institutional memory of the Senate. When asked of his longevity, he said, "The only reason that I can give is that I tried to mind my own business and let other people alone."

Although proud of his service to the Senate, Bassett regretted his lack of formal education. In his unpublished memoirs, he wrote, "My experience is that if I had my time to go over again I never would enter the Senate as a page, messenger, or an officer."

Generations of Bassett's are at Congressional, but descendants have now spread to all parts of the country.

Bassett, James Smallwood	d. 14 Mar 1904	26 yrs.	R43/81
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Bassett. On Monday, March 14, 1904, James Smallwood, son of the late W.W. Bassett, in his twenty-seventh year. Funeral Thursday, March 17 at 11 o'clock a.m. from R.F. Harvey's Sons', 1825 14th street northwest (Baltimore papers please copy).

Bassett, Jessie A.	d. 21 Mar 1931	71 yrs.	R64/170
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Bassett, Jessie A. On Saturday, March 21, 1931 at Homeopathic Hospital, Jessie A. Bassett aged 71 years at 1103 South Carolina Avenue southeast, beloved wife of the late Richard F. Bassett. Funeral from William J. Nalley's funeral home, 522 8th street southeast on Tuesday, March 24 at 3 p.m. Interment Congressional cemetery. Relatives and friends invited.

Bassett, Mary A.	d. 24 Feb 1859	72 yrs.	R87/83
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Bassett. On the 24th inst., Mrs. Mary A. Bassett, in the 73d year of her age, in hope of a blissful immortality beyond the grave

Dearest mother, thou has left us,
 We thy loss do deeply feel;
 But 'tis God who hath bereft us,
 He can all our sorrows heal.
 Yet again we hope to meet thee
 When the day of life has fled,
 And in heaven with joy to greet thee,
 Where no farewell tear is shed.

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The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral on Saturday, 26th inst., at 2 o'clock p.m., from No. 661 7th street, between E and F, south.

Bassett, Mary Morton d. 3 Mar 1895 **R80/219**

Bassett. Entered into eternal rest, March 2, 1895, Mary Morton, beloved wife of Isaac A. Bassett, and eldest daughter of John B. Zimmerman. Funeral from the Eastern Presbyterian Church, corner 6th and Maryland avenue northeast, on Tuesday, March 5, at 3 p.m. Friends and relatives invited to attend. (Alexandria papers please copy).

The Evening Star, March 5, 1895

Funeral of Mrs. Isaac A. Bassett

Funeral services were held this afternoon over the remains of Mrs. Isaac A. Bassett at the Eastern Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Bassett was an earnest church woman and an active member of the Ladies Aid Society.

Bassett, Mason N. d. 14 Jul 1898 64 yrs. **R77/D-1**

Bassett. On Thursday, July 14, 1898, at 5:45 p.m., Mason Noble Bassett, in the 65th year of his age. Funeral on Saturday, July 16 at 3 o'clock p.m., from his late residence, No. 120 6th street northeast. Interment private.

The Evening Star, July 15, 1898

Death of Mason N. Bassett

Was a Brother of the Late Capt. Isaac Bassett

Mason Noble Bassett, brother of the late Captain Isaac Bassett, who was for 69 years an employee of the United States Senate, died yesterday afternoon at the residence of his sister, Mrs. B.T. Thorne, No. 120 6th street northeast, after a lingering illness. Mr. Bassett was the last survivor of the male members of the Bassett family, one of the oldest of the city. Lieutenant Simeon Bassett of the United States navy, who died abroad while on a cruise, was the first to break the large circle. Sidney Bassett, David Bassett, Robert T. Bassett, Captain Isaac Bassett and now Mason Noble Bassett followed at intervals of a few years. The only surviving member of this large family is Mrs. Thorne, the sister with whom the last of the brothers, Mason Noble, has made his home ever since the death of his parents. Mr. Bassett never married. His funeral will take place from the residence of Mrs. Thorne Saturday at 3 p.m.

Bassett, Olive d. 11 Sep 1876 84 yrs. 6 mos. **R87/84**

Bassett. On September 11, 1876 at 10:30 a.m., Olive Bassett, relict of Agur Bassett, aged 84 years 6 months (Connecticut papers please copy). Funeral from her late residence, 118 D street n.w. on Wednesday at 10 a.m. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

Bassett, Pettit d. 13 Mar 1861 **R87/83**

Bassett. Pettit Bassett, aged 2 years 11 months, son of George A. and Clarinda M. Bassett of croup. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence, No. 22 4 1/2 street.*

Bassett, Robert d. 8 Feb 1894 72 yrs. **R33/190**

Bassett. On Thursday, February 8, 1894, at 5:15 a.m., Robert Tweedy Bassett, brother of Isaac Bassett, in the 73d year of his age. Funeral from his late residence, No. 1023 East Capitol street, on Saturday, February 10, at 3 p.m.

Bassett, Simeon d. 15 Nov 1848 2 yrs. 8 mo. 21 days **R55/68**

Bassett. On the 15th instant, Simeon, son of Isaac and Adeline Bassett, aged 2 years 8 months 21 days. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral this (Friday) afternoon at 3 o'clock from his father's residence, 2nd street, Capitol Hill.

Bassett, Simeon d. 24 Apr 1869 **R77/D-4**

Congressional Cemetery Newsletter, January 1997

Historical Profile: Isaac Bassett

Simeon Bassett, Isaac's father, was a stone mason who worked on the Capitol reconstruction following the fire of 1814. Later he was Senate doorkeeper. When Daniel Webster determined that the one page then working in the Senate needed assistance, he sought Isaac's appointment.

Bassett, Simon B. d. 13 Feb 1865 10 yrs. **R93/127**

Name	Birth/Death	Age	Range/Site
Bassett. Suddenly on the morning of the 13th inst. of congestion of the brain, Simon B., son of the late Sidney Bassett of this city in the 11th year of his age. His funeral will take place from the residence of his grandmother corner of East Capitol and 3d street east at 3 o'clock, 14th inst.			
Bassett, Sydney Danforth	d. 24 May 1856	30 yrs.	Vault
Bassett. On the 24th instant after a brief illness, Sydney Danforth Bassett, aged 30 years.			
Bassett, Wesley W.	d. 4 Jun 1894	75 yrs.	R43/81
Bassett. On Monday, June 4, 1894, in the 76th year of his age, Wesley W. Bassett. Funeral will take place from his late residence, 213 3d street northwest at 4:30 o'clock, Wednesday, June 6. Interment at Congressional Cemetery.			
Bassett, William Augustus	d. 10 Nov 1841	3 mo.	R55/68
Bassett. On the 10th instant, William Augustus, infant son of Isaac and Adeline Bassett, aged 3 months.			
Bassett, Winthrop W.	d. 1 Jul 1891		R97/222
Bassett. On July 1, 1891 at the residence of his grandmother, Mrs. H.S. Pratt, 517 H street northwest, Winthrop Wood, only child of Jessie M. and Cora S. Bassett. Funeral private.			