

Name	Birth/Death	Age	Range/Site
<b>Burwell, William Armisted</b>	b. 15 Mar 1780 - d. 16 Feb 1821	40 yrs.	<b>R56/102</b>

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*The National Intelligencer, Saturday, February 17, 1821*

We have the pain of announcing the death of another Member of Congress. The Hon. William A. Burwell, a Member of the House of Representatives from the state of Virginia, breathed his last about two o'clock yesterday, after an illness of two or three weeks.

Though not much older than forty years, Mr. Burwell had been a member of the House of Representatives for fifteen successive years, and was nearly the oldest member of the House. He was a man of sterling integrity, which passed untouched, even by the breath of slander, the ordeal of this life. As a politician, he was virtuous, and he was consistent: As a friend he was beloved and admired. To his late wife, by whose side is about to be laid, he was an exemplary consort, and to his only son a most affectionate father. He retained his senses to the end, and almost his last words were, that he had no reason to fear the approach of death.

*From the Senate*

A message having been received from the House of Representatives, announcing the death of the Hon. Wm. A. Burwell, a member of that House from the state of Virginia --

On motion of Mr. Pleasants, it was

Resolved, unanimously, That the members of the Senate will attend the funeral of the Hon. Wm. A. Burwell, late a member of the House of Representatives from the state of Virginia, tomorrow, at 10 o'clock, a.m.; and, as a testimony of respect for the memory of the deceased, will go into mourning, and wear crape for thirty days. On motion of Mr. Barbour, The Senate adjourned to Monday.

*From the House*

Mr. Nelson, of Virginia rose, and announced to the House that his colleague, Mr. Burwell, had just departed this life. He therefore moved that the bill should be laid on the table. Which motion was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. Nelson then stated, that it was the wish of his late colleague, that his remains should be carried to Baltimore for interment, and that it was proposed to move the corpse from the lodging of the deceased at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

On motion of the Mr. Nelson of Va. the house then unanimously came to the usual resolutions, to wear crape for thirty days in testimony of their respect for the deceased, and to attend the funeral from the Capitol at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

The following gentlemen were appointed to superintend the funeral ceremonies:

Messrs.	Nelson, of Va.	McCoy
	Randolph	Tyler
	Newton	A. Smyth
	Barbour	

And the House then adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow, at which hour the Funeral will take place from the Representative Chamber.