

Name	Birth/Death	Age	Range/Site
Forrest, (Son) Son of Joseph Forrest	d. 19 Aug 1820	13 yrs.	R56/24
Forrest, Sergeant Maj. Alexander Forrest. Near the Navy Yard in this city on Sunday morning last aged 70, Alexander Forrest, Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, highly esteemed by all who knew him.	d. 11 Mar 1832	70 yrs.	R51/51
Forrest, Alexander <i>The Evening Star, October 9, 1854</i> <i>Funeral of a Fireman.</i> Yesterday afternoon the Northern Liberties and Franklin Fire Companies followed to the grave the remains of Alexander Forrest, late an officer of the first named company, the members of which turned out in immense numbers to pay the last token of respect to his memory. The Franklin also paraded largely, and many friends of the deceased, not firemen, filled up the lengthy cortege. Prosperi's band was engaged for the occasion and played appropriate strains in their usual talented manner. The procession moved thorough the Avenue to the Congressional Cemetery, where the body was interred with solemn ceremonies, the Rev. A.G. Corothers, of the Fifth Presbyterian Church, officiating. The hearse was attended by eight pall-bearers, dressed in the uniform of the Northern Liberties and the procession was in charge of Messrs. John Goddard, Jr., and E.G. Evans, Marshals, also in the Northern Liberties dress. The banners were in mourning, and altogether the procession made an imposing appearance. Returning the Northern Liberties escorted the Franklin members to their engine house, soon after which both companies were dismissed.	d. 8 Oct 1854		R54/80
Forrest, Alexander Forrest. On Friday, March 5th, 1886, at 4 o'clock p.m. of pneumonia, Alexander Forrest, aged 71 years. Funeral from the residence of his nephew, B. French Queen, 90 Eighth street southeast, Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.	d. 7 Mar 1886	71 yrs.	R47/162
Forrest, Andrew Forrest. On Sunday the 18th inst. at 11 o'clock p.m. at his residence near the Navy Yard, Mr. Andrew Forrest in the 52d year of her age. The funeral will take place this day at 2 o'clock p.m. The friends of the family are invited without further notice.	d. 18 Feb 1844	52 yrs. 1 mo. 24 days	R39/1
Forrest, Ann H. Forrest. On the afternoon of the 17th instant, after a protracted illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude, Mrs. Ann H., relict of the late Andrew Forrest, in the 71st year of her age. The above was one whose loss will be deeply felt by all who knew her; one who, while living, was loved and respected, --dead, she will be remembered by her friends, who will feel that their affection was worthily bestowed. Her illness was characterized by the utmost patience, resignation, and cheerfulness, under prolonged suffering, even to the last. Certainly, her last illness was remarkable, and by those only who were daily watching over her can a just idea of her singular tenacity of life be formed. For months she had never been free from excessive pain--and this alone tends somewhat to mitigate the sorrow for her loss. And if it can be any comfort to her beloved children, to her large circle of acquaintances, let them dwell upon the knowledge that she passed through life as a Christian--that she lived and died esteemed by her friends, beloved by her relatives, cherished by her children, and regretted by all. The friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Thomas Altemus, No. 587 Eighth street east, at 3 o'clock tomorrow (Sunday) evening, the 19th inst.	d. 17 May 1861	70 yrs.	R47/163
Forrest, Bladen <i>The Evening Star, October 17, 1870</i> <i>Sudden Death of Bladen Forrest</i> Mr. Bladen Forrest, who, for nearly forty years past, has been a resident of Georgetown, died suddenly of apoplexy, at 9 o'clock last evening, at his residence, on the corner of 1st and Frederick streets. The deceased was sixty-one years of age and was the proprietor of the well-known "Forrest Hall." He was enjoying a smoke, and his pipe falling to the floor was broken; whereupon he went to the mantel and taking another charged it with tobacco, but, before he lighted a match for the purpose of continuing his smoke he was taken quite sick, and was assisted to a chair, and from thence to a lounge, upon which he died in about half an hour,	b. 1810 - d. 18 Oct 1870		R56/25

although medical attendance was promptly summoned. He had suffered from attacks of the same kind previously, and on this occasion did not seem to be aware of immediate danger, as he consoled his relatives around him with the opinion that nothing serious would ensue.

The Evening Star, October 19, 1870

Funeral of Bladen Forrest

The funeral of the late Bladen Forrest will take place tomorrow at 1 o'clock p.m. from the late residence corner of 1st and Frederick streets. Rev. Mr. Atkins will officiate, and the remains will be interred in the Congressional Cemetery. The coffin, prepared by Mr. McQuillan, is of walnut covered with black cloth, mounted with heavy silver handles, and with a plate on the lid inscribed, "B. Forrest, Born April 27th, 1810, Died October 18th, 1870."

Brother of French Forrest

Forrest, Rev. Douglas French	d. 3 May 1902		R44/42
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Forrest. On Saturday, May 3, 1902, at Ashland, near Richmond, Va., very suddenly, Rev. Douglas French Forrest, D.D. Interment took place at Congressional cemetery Tuesday, May 6.

Forrest, Emily	b. 3 Jun 1810 - d. 9 Apr 1880	69 yrs.	R45/41
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Forrest. Died in the Lord suddenly near midnight on April 9, 1880, Mrs. Emily Douglas Forrest, widow of the late Commodore French Forrest, U.S. and Confederate States Navies in the 70th year of her age. Funeral will take place from Trinity Church, Monday April 12 at 11 a.m.

The Evening Star, April 10, 1880

Locals

Mrs. Emily Douglas Forrest, widow of the late Commodore French Forrest of the U.S. and Confederate States Navies, died suddenly last night, aged 70 years. Her funeral will take place from Trinity Church next Monday.

Forrest, Commodore French	b. 1796 - d. 22 Nov 1866	72 yrs.	R45/42
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The Evening Star, November 23, 1866

Death of Admiral Forrest

Admiral French Forrest, formerly of the United States Navy, late of the Confederate Navy, died at a quarter to 2 o'clock p.m., on the 22d inst. after a short but painful illness of typhoid fever, in the 71st year of his age. Admiral Forrest fought bravely in the War of 1812; he was in the naval engagement under Commodore Perry; also fought valiantly in the Mexican war; he was appointed at that time Adjutant General of the land and naval forces, and the responsible duty devolved upon him of having the forces transported into the interior of Mexico. When Virginia seceded, he joined the fortunes of the Southern Confederacy, and was given the position of commander-in-chief of the naval forces of Virginia, and commanded at the Norfolk Navy Yard, and was afterwards appointed to the command of the James River Squadron, and then acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy. A kind and affectionate husband and father, and a true and sincere friend, beloved and respected by all who knew him. His funeral will take place from the residence of his brother, Bladen Forrest, No. 78 1st street, Georgetown, on Saturday, the 24th instant, at one o'clock p.m.

Commandant of the Navy Yard. Officer U.S. Virginia and Confederate States Navies. Commander of the Norfolk Navy Yard. Pulled the Merrimack off of the sand bar during the battle with the Monitor.

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Naval officer. Born in St. Mary's County, Maryland, Forrest entered the U.S. Navy as a midshipman in June 1811. He was aboard *USS Hornet* when it fought *HMS Peacock* in 1813 and claimed service in the Battle of Lake Erie. Rising to the rank of captain in 1844, he commanded the landing operations of Gen. Winfield Scott's American army at Vera Cruz during the Mexican War. From 1855 to 1856 he was the head of the Washington Navy Yard.

Resigning his commission after Virginia's secession, Forrest joined the state navy of Virginia as a captain in April 1861. He accepted a commission at the same rank in the Confederate navy in June, making him its

third-ranking officer. He had commanded the navy yard at Norfolk while in Virginia service, and he remained in that position when he entered the Confederate navy. His primary task was the reconstruction of the ineffectively scuttled *USS Merrimack* into the ironclad ram *CSS Virginia*. Command of the vessel, however, went to Franklin Buchanan, much to Forrest's disappointment. Forrest was replaced at Norfolk three months after the Battle of Hampton Roads to become the head of the Office of Orders and Details. There he was responsible for ensuring the flow of correspondence and orders within the Confederate Naval Department.

In March 1863 he took command of the James River Squadron. Frustrated by this squadron's relative inactivity, Secretary of the Navy Stephen R. Mallory replaced him with Commdr. John K. Mitchell in May 1864. Since his name disappears from the roster of Confederate naval officers by June, he apparently was dismissed from service. After the war, he returned to his home in Alexandria, Virginia, and died in Washington, D.C., in November 1866.

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Civil War Biographies

Forrest, French (1796-1866)

Already 65 by the outbreak of the Civil War, French Forrest failed to measure up as the commander of the Confederacy's James River Squadron. The Maryland native was a veteran of five decades in the navy including the War of 1812 battle of Lake Erie and service at Alvarado and Vera Cruz during the Mexican War. He joined the Southern war effort in 1861, and his assignments included: captain, Virginia Navy (1861); commanding Norfolk Navy Yard (ca. April 25, 1861 - ca. May 9, 1862); captain, CSN (1861); chief, Office of Orders and Detail (1862-63); and commanding James River Squadron (1863-ca. May 1864). When the Union fleet abandoned Norfolk, Forrest was dispatched by the Virginia authorities to take charge of the naval equipment and stores there. During the famous fights of the Virginia and Monitor in Hampton Roads he was aboard the tugboat *Harmony*. After the fall of Norfolk he was made a bureau chief in the Navy Department and then took charge of the small flotilla on the James. During 1863 the squadron's poor behavior was blamed on Forrest who was relieved by John K. Mitchell in early 1864. While Forrest's name had appeared on the naval register of January 1, 1864, it was missing from that of June 1, and it must be assumed that he had been dropped from the rolls. In any event he barely outlived the war.

The National Intelligencer, Oct. 13, 1846

List of Officers of the United States Frigate *Command*
 French, Forrest, captain

Forrest, James W.	d. 14 Oct 1838	18 yrs. 6 mo.	R51/53
[Sacred to the Memory of ... died Oct. 14, 1838, aged 18 years 6 months]			

Forrest, John B.	d. 4 Nov 1825	51 yr. 10 mo. 22 days	R51/49
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Forrest. In this city, Mr. John B. Forrest long an inhabitant of the city, and, at the time of his death, Commissioner of the 5th and 6th Wards. His funeral will take place from the dwelling of his father, at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning; which his friends and acquaintances are requested to attend without further invitation.

The Brethren of Naval Lodge, No. 4, will meet at their Lodge Room tomorrow morning, at 9 o'clock, for the purpose of forming a procession to attend the funeral of their late Brother, John B. Forrest. The Brethren of the several Lodges of the District and vicinity are invited to attend. Daniel Munro, Secretary.

History of the Naval Lodge, No. 4, F.A.A.M.

John B. Forrest, Master in 1823, was a master carpenter in the Navy Yard for a number of years; was initiated Jan. 25, 1815; passed Feb. 4, 1815, and raised Feb. 11, 1815. His connection with the Lodge as an

officer was brief, being confined to his one term as Master and one year as Junior Warden. During the same year he acted as Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge. His death occurred Nov. 4, 1825, in the 52d year of his age.

Commissioner 5th and 6th wards, n.e. corner K south and 8 east, Navy Yard (Wash. Dir., 1822)

Forrest, John W. d. 22 Apr 1887 16 yrs. **R98/231**

Forrest. On April 22, 1887 at 7 p.m., John W. Forrest, Jr. aged 16 years. Funeral will take place from his late residence, 120 N street southeast on Sunday, April 24 at 3 p.m. Friends and relatives invited to attend.

Forrest, Major Joseph d. 1 Oct 1845 77 yrs. **R56/22**

Forrest. On Wednesday night, 1st instant, Major Joseph Forrest, aged 77 years. This venerable gentleman was descended from one of the most ancient families in Maryland, and leaves behind him a large circle of friends and relatives. He possessed a mind of uncommon strength and discrimination, stored with a large share of practical information, and with an almost intuitive knowledge of the world in which he had been permitted so long to sojourn. He died at his residence in Washington, in the bosom of his devoted family, who were always the objects of his tender care in life, and to whom, in death, he has left the inappreciable legacy of an honest name. His funeral will take place today, at 3 o'clock p.m. The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

Forrest, Mrs. Mary d. 28 Sep 1842 83 yrs. **R51/52**

Forrest. Yesterday morning, the 28th instant, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Bulley, near the Navy Yard, Mrs. Mary Forrest, aged 83 years, a native of Ireland, but a resident of this city for forty-two years.

This lady, beloved and respected by all who knew her, has departed to meet kindred spirits in heaven. Ever will she be remembered by her descendants to the third generation, who have years since learned to lisp the name of their "good grandmama." With Christian fortitude, and in the consciousness of having spent an upright life, she resigned herself to that fate from which none can escape.

The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully requested to attend her funeral this day, (Thursday,) at 3 o'clock.

Will of Mary Forrest, of Washington Co., D.C. (dtd. June 30, 1842, probated Oct. 5, 1842; Book 5, pp. 267-268; O.S. 2362; Box 15)

To grandson, Alexander Forrest, child of my son Andrew Forrest, shares of stock in Franklin Fire Insurance Co. in Washington City, for which I now receive dividends in virtue of such right as my deceased husband Alexander Forrest held; to him personal property: one large bureau, one dozen silver tablespoons, one dozen silver dessert spoons, and other silver, gold-headed snuff box, 8-day clock, five rural framed pictures, large family Bible, bookcase.

To Alexander Forrest Bulley, child of Eleanor C. Bulley, one bureau, one bed, one bedstead.

To Eleanor C. Bulley, my daughter, one large looking glass, one set of china, and glassware.

Exr.: Alexander Forrest, grandson

Wits.: James Marshall; Thomas Thomley