

Name	Birth/Death	Age	Range/Site
Mahany, Roland Blennerhasse	b. 1864 - d. 2 May 1937	72 yrs.	R28/8

See the on-line "Biographical Directory of the U.S. Congress"

Mahany. On Sunday, May 2, 1937 at his residence, 1414 Madison st., Hon. Roland B. Mahany. Funeral from the above residence on Thursday, May 6 at 3 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery. Services by the W.W. Chambers Co.

The Evening Star, Monday, May 3, 1937

R.B. Mahany, 73, Statesman, Dies

Was Journalist and Diplomat--Served as Minister to Ecuador

Death dwindled the ranks of Washington's "gentlemen of the old school" yesterday when Rowland Blennerhassett Mahany, 73, journalist, statesman and diplomat, died at his home, 1414 Madison street.

Courtly of manner and always elegantly attired, Mr. Mahany was one of the Capital's bon vivants when he came here as a member of Congress from Buffalo in 1895 and in later years charmed his wide circle of friends with stories of the past.

Although he had been in failing health for several weeks, Mr. Mahany left his sick bed two weeks ago to visit the National Press Club and remeinsce with 80-year-old Charley Hamilton, dean of the newspaper corps here, and other members of the Old Timers' Club.

Poet of Distinction

A poet of distinction, Mr. Mahany was a crony of "Marse Henry" Watterson, Alfred Henry Lewis and others of Washington's brilliant corps of journalists along old "newspaper row."

Mr. Mahany was born in Buffalo, September 28, 1864, and was educated at Hobart, Union and Harvard. He was elected first marshal of the Phi Beta Kappa Chapter at Harvard, but resigned in favor of William A. Leahy.

In 1888, immediately after his graduation, Mr. Mahany became associate editor of the Buffalo Express. In addition to his newspaper duties he was an instructor in history and literature in the Buffalo High School.

Mr. Mahany went to Ecuador in 1890 as secretary of the American Legation, a post he held for two years, when he was appointed Minister by President Benjamin Harrison. The Santos treaty was consummated while he was in office. He served in Congress from 1895 to 1899, when he became harbor commissioner of Buffalo. He became general counsel to the Polish Patriotic Congress in 1903.

Returned to Newspaper Work

Returning to newspaper work in 1910, Mr. Mahany became editor of the Buffalo Enquirer. From 1914 to 1918 was United States commissioner of conciliation. In the following year he was an assistant to the Secretary of Labor and foreign trade relations commissioner of the State Department.

President Wilson appointed Mr. Mahany as one of the 10 Federal umpires of the National War Labor Board in 1919. He was also made a director of the United States Housing Corp.

As solicitor of the Department of Labor, Mr. Mahany served as Acting Secretary in 1920 and in 1921 he was the American representative at the meeting of the International Commission on Immigration and Emigration at Geneva.

Upon his return from Geneva Mr. Mahany opened a law office here. He was counsel for the Japanese government in important war claims cases. In 1924 and 1928 Mr. Mahany was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention.

One of the founders of the Congressional Club, Mr. Mahany also was a member of the Metropolitan and the National Press Clubs. He was an honorary member of the South Carolina Society and a member of the Columbia Historical Society.

In 1909 Mr. Mahany published "Tuscany and Other Poems." In recent years he had confined his public writing largely to "Letters to the Editor," which were outstanding because of their beautiful composition.

He is survived by his sister, Miss Mary E. Mahany of New Jersey.

The Evening Star, Thursday, May 6, 1937

*Mahany Funeral This Afternoon**Journalist, Statesman and Diplomat to Rest in Congressional Cemetery*

Funeral services for Rowland B. Mahany, 72, journalist, statesman and diplomat, are being held this afternoon at his residence, 1414 Madison street, where he died Sunday. Rev. Dr. J.J. Queally, rector of the Transfiguration Episcopal Church, is officiating. Burial will be in a plot in Congressional Cemetery, next to the grave of Elbridge Gerry, early Vice President of the United States.

Many prominent persons are included in the list of honorary pallbearers, a number of them from the Old Timers' Club. Those from the latter club include Representative Mead of New York, former Representative Campbell of Kansas, former Representative Dempley of New York, Frank Healy, W.W. Husband, Robert B. Armstrong, sr.; James F. Doyle, Julius Reiners, James M. North, Harry Ward, W.M. Smith, Charles A. Hamilton, Ralph Collins, Ernest Allwine, Thomas J. Keefe, Morton M. Milford, Dr. E.H. Silver, L.M. Eidsness, jr.; J.D. Hufham, A.W. Hodgkins, W.L. Brukhart, Lee Poe Hart, Eric L. Bark, E.S. Leggett, Maj. C.C. Childs, John O. Williams, Soterios Nicholson, Frank Wixson, J.H. Shay, John Walsh, Al Whittington, J.P. Yoder, and John J. Daly.

Other honorary pallbearers are former Representative Gittins of New York, Charles A. Douglas, John Davidge, Walter Davidge, Russell Duane, Robert J. Caldwell, Gutson Borglum, Charles Lamson Griffin, Dr. T.V. Hammond, Augustus Rubino, Hugh L. Kerwin, John F. Costello, Copley Amory, E.H. Harriman and Alfred K. Moe.