

Name	Birth/Death	Age	Range/Site
Smallwood, (Child)	d. 12 Feb 1821	6 mos.	R49/30
Smallwood, Annette Morrow Smallwood. On the morning of August 4th, 1861, after an illness of 10 months, which she bore with Christian fortitude and resignation to the will of God, Annette Morrow, beloved wife of James B. Smallwood and daughter of the late William Morrow, in the 58th year of her age. Two friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon at 4 o'clock, from the residence of her mother, No. 416 Sixth st., between F and G sts.	d. 4 Aug 1861		R53/106
Smallwood, Catharine L. Smallwood. In this city on the 29th ultimo of pulmonary consumption in the 19th year of her age, Miss Catherine Smallwood, daughter of Mr. John Smallwood. The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral this (Friday) evening at half past 2 o'clock from the residence of her father near the Navy Yard.	d. 29 Nov 1848	18 yrs.	R46/34
Smallwood, Charles Smallwood. On the 9th inst., Charles Smallwood, aged 7 years.	d. 9 Nov 1861	7 yrs.	R27/245
Smallwood, Mrs. Dorothy Smallwood. On Thursday morning, the 17th instant, in the triumph of faith, and an assurance of a blessed immortality, of a lingering consumption, in the 65th year of her age, Mrs. Dorothy Smallwood, for many years a respectable inhabitant of this city. Her friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend her funeral from her late residence at 2 o'clock tomorrow (Friday).	d. 17 Feb 1831	64 yrs.	R52/4
Smallwood, Eliza Janet Smallwood. On Monday morning, 11th instant, Eliza Janet, daughter of James B. and Annette Smallwood, aged 5 months and 7 days.	d. 11 Mar 1861	5 mos. 7 days	R65/197
Smallwood, Elizabeth D. Smallwood. On the 11th instant, after a long and painful illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude, Elizabeth D. Smallwood. Her funeral will take place on next Sunday afternoon, at three o'clock, from the residence of her sister, Mrs. Marshall, on Garrison street, Navy Yard.	d. 11 Apr 1850		R40/194
Smallwood, Gertrude Smallwood. On the 27th of November, 1876, Gertrude, beloved daughter of Mary E. and the late Lemuel B. Smallwood, aged 3 years and 6 months.	d. 27 Nov 1876	3 yrs. 6 mos.	R70/D-1
Smallwood, James Smallwood. On the 21st inst., at 4 1/2 o'clock p.m., James Smallwood, eldest son of John F. and Jane E. Dobbyn in the 7th year of his age. The friends and relatives of the family are invited to attend his funeral from the residence of his parents on 6th st. east near East Capitol st. at 10 o'clock Friday morning 23d inst.	d. 21 May 1862	6 yrs.	R53/106
Smallwood, Janet B. Smallwood. After a long and painful illness, Janet B., relict of the late Enoch Smallwood in the 48th year of her age. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral on Thursday evening, 30th inst. at 4 o'clock from her late residence, corner south A and 6th st. east. Married: Enoch W. Smallwood of Port Tobacco, Md. And Miss Janet B. Phillips, second daughter of George Phillips of this city, January 5, 1830 by Rev. Mr. Gibbon.	d. 28 Jun 1859	47 yrs.	R66/198
Smallwood, John Ship Carpenter, southwest corner, M south and 10th east (Wash. Dir., 1834).	d. 25 Aug 1859		R40/195
Smallwood, John Smallwood. At his late residence, No. 1014 Seventh street southeast, on February 6, 1882, John Smallwood, aged 82 years. Funeral services at Odd Fellows' Hall, Eighth street southeast, Wednesday, the 8th instant, at 2:30 o'clock p.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.	b. 1800 - d. 6 Feb 1882	82 yrs.	R41/195
<i>John Smallwood Navy Yard Shipcarpenter (by Patricia Smallwood Sheetz Huntington, Maryland)</i>			

It has been extremely difficult to discover facts about John Smallwood, for although he lived eighty-two years, he left little paperwork behind. I have researched the Census Records, Boyds' Directories, and historical data to unravel a few facts. John was born in 1800, just as the city he lived in was becoming known as Washington, DC. In 1800, one historian wrote, "Washington the new Capitol has been recently occupied. It was hardly a village, except on paper, and contained only the Capitol, the White House, two departmental buildings, and a few boarding houses. The public buildings were still uncompleted. Mrs. Adams, the wife of President John Adams, found the audience room of the White House convenient for drying clothes, and the representatives met in a temporary building erected in the middle of the unfinished Capitol."

John first appeared in the Boyds' Directory in 1827. He was listed as working for the Navy Yard as a ship carpenter and living at the NW corner of 10e and K Street. I have verified through, the District of Columbia's Marriage records that he was married three times. His first wife, Mary Mills bore him nine children. At present, I have determined that two of these children had children. I believe also that I have evidence of at least two sisters of John.

John was a hardworking individual. At various times he had his grandchildren and their children living with him. He arranged for many people to be buried, I think possibly they were church members who were the last in their families. John was a member of the Odd Fellows Organization in SE Washington, DC. and served as their Grand Noble for several years.

At this time I am unable to positively identify John's parents, but from the data I have on hand it leads me to believe he is a child of a Charles County Smallwood family. Mary Mills Smallwood is buried at Congressional Cemetery, along with her daughter Catherine and son Samuel, Range 46, Site 35. Their grave is unmarked. John died 6 February 1882 and is buried at Congressional Cemetery, Range 40, Site 195.

Sources:

Census Records
 Boyd's Directory
 Family History
 Congressional Cemetery Records

Smallwood, John Eston

b. 4 Jun 1862 - d. 11 Apr 1930

R70/D-2

John Eston Smallwood, Sr.

Navy Yard Supervisor and Washington Light Guard Lieutenant

(by Patricia Smallwood Sheetz

Huntington, Maryland)

John Eston Smallwood was born in Washington, DC on the 4th of June 1862 to Lemuel B. Smallwood and Mary Elizabeth Bartlett. John was named after his grandfather, John Smallwood (1800-1882). He was approximately 5'10" in height, thin and always wore a mustache.

What little is known about John Eston has been abstracted from his official work record. By 1874, John was 12 years old and working at the Navy Yard which is located on M Street in Washington, DC. He was the third generation of Smallwood's to work there, serving continuously for 55 years, one of the longest records of uninterrupted service in local government branches. He started as a helper and was promoted three times. His final position was supervisor of surveys for the Navy Yard.

Besides his position with the Navy Yard John found time to serve with the District National Guard, as a Lieutenant. He was also a drill master of several teams of the Mount Vernon Council No. 10 Junior Order of United American Mechanics, of which he was recording secretary for 27 years. As a charter member of the Mount Vernon Council he created and organized the Mount Vernon Council No. 18, Daughters of America. His fraternal affiliations included membership in the National Lodge No. 12, F.A.A.M.

In 1885, John married Mattie Cornelia Turner the daughter of Zachariah Turner and Ann Rebecca Latham. They had three children (1) Ida Gertrude Smallwood (Yost); (2) Mary Ella Rebecca Smallwood (Poole); and one son, (3) John Eston Smallwood Jr.

He died of a heart attack at 834 East Capitol Street, his residence at the time. John Eston Smallwood Sr. is buried along with his wife at Congressional Cemetery, Range 70, Site 2, Sec. D.

Sources:

Census Records
 Boyd's Directory
 Family History
 Congressional Cemetery Records

Smallwood, Lemuel B.	d. 12 Oct 1873	32 yrs.	R70/D-4
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Smallwood. On the 12th instant, Lemuel B. Smallwood, in the 33d year of his age. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral from the M.E. Church, 4th street southeast, Tuesday afternoon at 2 1/2 o'clock (Balt. Sun please copy).

Patricia Smallwood Sheet, Huntingtown, Maryland Research

Lemuel B. Smallwood was the youngest son of John and Mary (Mills) Smallwood. He was born in Washington, DC on 1 January 1840. He had grey eyes, auburn hair and was 5 feet 10 inches in height at the time of his enlistment in the Army on February 27, 1864. He was assigned to Company F of "Cole's Calvary," First Regiment Potomac Home Brigade Cavalry. After the burning of Chambersburg, Pa., in July 1864, by a raiding party of Confederate Cavalry, "Cole's Cavalry" assisted in driving the enemy out of Maryland. Later Lemuel was commissioned and transferred to Company M as a Sergeant by Captain Wall. By the winter of 1864-5 "Cole's Cavalry" was assigned to duty in West Virginia for the remainder of the Civil War to protect that section from the Confederate's, under General Rosser and Mosby's Guerrillas. Lemuel was stationed at the following military sites, Harper's Ferry, Virginia; Point Lookout, Maryland and Deep Creek, West Virginia. He was Honorably Discharged from the Army on June 28, 1865.

Before his enlistment in the Army, Lemuel attended the District's school system till he was 12 years old. As a young man he was employed at the Navy Yard in Washington, DC as a blacksmith. He also served with the Washington Light Guards (DC's National Guard).

Lemuel died in Washington, DC on October 12, 1873. He is buried at Congressional Cemetery, Range 70, Site 3, Section D. Pension papers state that he contracted consumption in the service and never recovered from its effects:

Sources:

History and Roster of Maryland Volunteers, War of 1861-5, Vol. 1, pp 655-663; 686 & 699
 Census Records
 Marriage Certificate
 Pension File 214940/197139
 Congressional Cemetery Records

Smallwood, Martha Ann	d. 25 Nov 1808		R49/28
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Smallwood, Mrs. Mary	d. 13 Jun 1847	44 yrs.	R46/36
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Smallwood. About 8 o'clock, Monday evening after a long and painful illness which she bore with Christian resignation, Mrs. Mary Smallwood, wife of Mr. John Smallwood in the 45th year of her age. The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral this (Wednesday) afternoon at half past 2 o'clock from her late residence on 7th street east near the Navy Yard.

Smallwood, Mary Elizabeth	d. 30 Sep 1926	83 yrs.	R70/D-3
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Smallwood. Thursday, September 30, 1926 at the residence of her son, 1603 Lincoln road n.e., Mary E., beloved wife of the late Lemuel B. Smallwood. Funeral from Trinity M.E. Church, 5th street and Seward Square s.e., Saturday, October 2 at 2:30 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

The Evening Star, October 1, 1926, p. 9

Mrs. Smallwood Dead

Lifelong Washington Resident Succumbs at Age of 83

Mrs. Mary E. Smallwood 83, a lifelong resident of Washington, died yesterday at the home of her son, L. Vernon Smallwood, 1603 Lincoln road northeast, after a long illness.

She was the oldest member of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Sunday school, having joined at the age of 5. Mrs. Smallwood was one of the original organizers of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Washington. She was the widow of Lemuel B. Smallwood, commissary sergeant in Cole's 1st Maryland Cavalry during the Civil War and a retired navy yard employe.

She is survived by three sons -- John E., Isaac C. and L. Vernon Smallwood -- a sister, Miss Ida Bartlett, and a brother, Edwin C. Bartlett, civil service examiner.

Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church by Rev. Frank Steeleman, followed by interment in Congressional Cemetery.

Name	Birth/Death	Age	Range/Site
Smallwood, Matilda Daughter of Samuel Nicholls and Ruth Smallwood. Aged 11 mos.	d. 11 Aug 1818	11 mo.	R49/30
Smallwood, Penelope Smallwood. On January 29, 1903 at 2:30 a.m., Mrs. Penelope Smallwood (nee Lacy). Funeral from residence, 309 E street southwest, Saturday, January 31 at 3 p.m. Relatives and friends invited.	d. 29 Jan 1903		R92/83
Smallwood, Phyllis Smallwood. On Wednesday, May 7, 1902, Phyllis Smallwood, infant daughter of Rider L. and Maggie V. Smallwood. Funeral from parents' residence, 214 1/2 Quincy street northeast, Thursday, May 8, at 3:15 o'clock.	d. 7 May 1902		R143/246
Smallwood, Rebecca Addenson	d. 16 May 1810	2 yrs. 2 mos. 1 days	R49/29
Smallwood, Richard Samuel Son of Samuel N. Smallwood	b. 1821 - d. 10 Oct 1821	28 days	R49/31
Smallwood, Richard T. Smallwood. At his residence in this city, Richard T. Smallwood in the 66th year of his age (Warrington, Va. Please copy).	d. 26 Feb 1859	65 yrs.	R34/128
Smallwood, Ruth	b. 1 Dec 1818 - d. 2 Dec 1818	1 days	R49/30
Smallwood, Ruth Matilda	d. 11 Aug 1815	11 mos.	R49/30
Smallwood, Mrs. Ruth Smallwood. Departed this life in this city on Wednesday morning last, Mrs. Ruth Smallwood. The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral at her late residence this day at 11 o'clock a.m.	d. 1 Nov 1836		R49/28

The National Intelligencer, November 11, 1836

It is due to the memory of the pious and amiable lady, whose death was announced in your paper of Thursday, to give a somewhat more extended obituary notice of her. Mrs. Smallwood was the relict of Samuel N. Smallwood, formerly Mayor of Washington. She was among the oldest female inhabitants of our city, in which she resided for upwards of thirty years, beloved and esteemed by all who knew her. Her disposition was so mild and gentle, and her temper so inoffensive and amiable, that she passed through life without making an enemy, or intentionally wounding the feelings of a single human being. "Her very failings leaned to virtue's side," and though she had her sorrows and afflictions (for who, in this vale of tears, can be exempt from them) she always bore them with pious resignation and yielded to the stroke of Providence with entire submission. Thus this excellent woman died as she had lived, a pattern of Christian virtue, and an example of moral purity, worthy of imitation.

The Evening Star, January 16, 1927

Great Changes in Southeast Washington Are Shown By Rambler

The will of Ruth Smallwood shows her feeling for her slaves and names bits of personal property--silver sugar bowl, etc.--which she thought a great deal of. Those things may have been left her by her parents. They may have been in the family for generations. They may have been associated with her early years as wife and mother. She was careful of them and bequeathed them to her children, Clara Smallwood and Mary Ellen Addison. Women understand how many memories may hang about a cream pitcher or a pair of sugar tongs.

The Rambler assumes that Ruth Smallwood was the widow of Samuel Nicholls Smallwood, lumber merchant and Eastern Branch wharf owner who died in 1824 and left an estate of large value. His widow, Ruth, and son, William A., were administrators. I have not found the will or the administration case of William, and I assume that he did not die in Washington, but I do not warrant that my search was complete. The will of Ruth shows that the wealth bequeathed by Samuel N. Smallwood to his widow and son decreased and nothing is extraordinary in that. It be an old story. Ruth's will was signed October 6, 1836, and offered to the court for proof November 8, 1836. The witness was D'Archy A. French. You will get more comfort from reading the will than reading my comment on it, so the will follows:

"Item--It is my will and request that my daughter Clara should if be her wish shall sell and dispose of her house and lot on Eleventh street and purchase with the proceeds thereof the house and lot now in my

possession on Seventh street, with the lot contiguous thereto, that she may secure to herself a comfortable home and dwelling, and I desire and request that the rest of my children and heirs will consent to it.

"I give and bequeath to my daughter, Clara, one of my best beds, bedsteads, mattress and furniture attached to it, that I leave at my death, to be selected by herself, also my silver sugar dish, silver sugar tongues, silver cream jug, half dozen silver dining spoons, eight silver teaspoons, one pair of looking-glasses to be chosen by herself, also my piano and claw-footed table, also my large Bible and my two trunks, one large and a small one.

"Item--I will and desire that my executor hereinafter named, as soon after my death as convenient will sell and dispose of my negro girl Harriet, now aged about 16 years, to some good master or mistress in the District of Columbia, and not to any one living outside the District, to serve as a slave the period of 10 years from the time of my death, and no longer, after which period I will the said negro girl Harriet to be free and set at liberty, being desirous to reward her for her fidelity to me, and I wish and desire my executor to apply the proceeds arising from the sale of negro Harriet for the term aforesaid to the payment, first of my funeral expenses and the balance to the payment of my just debts.

"Item--I will my negro woman Mima free from the time of my decease, and desire that she may be set at liberty immediately thereafter. I also will and desire that my old negro woman Lyda shall be free and set at liberty from the time of my death, and I will and desire that my negro woman Mima shall live with her, wait on her and take care of and treat kindly my said old faithful negro Lyda so long as she shall live.

"Item--It is my will and desire that my executor shall hire out somewhere in the country my negro man Robert and pay the proceeds of his hire regularly to my two daughters Mary Ellen Addison and Clara., the same to be divided equally between them.

"Item--I will and desire that my children will provide some small but comfortable house for my old faithful servant Lyda, to live in so long as she survives, and I will and desire my daughters, Mary Ellen Addison and Clara, to apply and appropriate so much of the funds arising from the hire of Robert as they may think necessary to the support of old Lyda.

"It is my will and desire that my beloved children and heirs will, after my decease, have the burial ground handsomely paved in as a token of respect and veneration."

John Addison, Jr. was named in the will as executor.

Smallwood, Samuel d. 1 Jul 1828 9 yrs. **R49/32**
Son of William Smallwood

Smallwood, Samuel Nicholls d. 29 Sep 1824 52 yrs. **R49/26**
A native of Charles County, Maryland and for 30 years a citizen of Washington D.C. A signer of the articles establishing the Congressional Cemetery. Fifth mayor of Washington (1819-1822 and 1824).

The National Intelligencer, September 30, 1824

Died, Yesterday morning, between 3 and 4 o'clock, in the 54th year of his age, Samuel N. Smallwood, Esq.



Mayor of the City of Washington. He had been indisposed for several weeks, but his disorder did not assume a threatening aspect until a few days before it terminated his useful life. The deceased was universally esteemed as a private citizen, and justly respected as a public one; the best proofs of which were his repeatedly receiving from the hands of his fellow citizens the highest honor and most important trust within their gift. This city in his death, loses the services of a most efficient chief magistrate -- to his family the loss is irreparable.

The friends and acquaintances of the family are requested to attend his funeral from his late residence this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

At the opening of the session of the two Boards of the City Council, yesterday afternoon, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas the lamented death of our worthy and respected fellow citizen, Samuel N. Smallwood, Mayor of this City, is an event of deep interest and regret, as well to the Corporate Authorities of the City, as to the people at large: And whereas the Boards of Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Washington feel desirous of evincing the estimation in which he was held by them: Therefore,

Resolved unanimously, That we consider the death of Samuel N. Smallwood, Esq. Mayor of this City as a public loss of no ordinary character, and that we sympathize with his family and friends, and our fellow-citizens generally, in the lamented event.

Resolved, unanimously, That, as a mark of respect for the memory of the deceased, the Members of the two Boards will wear crape on the left arm for the space of thirty days, and that the like testimony of respect be recommended to the officers of the Corporation generally.

Resolved, unanimously, That the Members of the two Boards, with their Secretaries, will attend the funeral of the deceased; and that a committee to consist of two Members from each Board, be appointed to cooperate with his friends in making the necessary arrangements.

Resolved, unanimously, That the Register of the City and all other officers of this Corporation, be requested and are hereby invited to join the two Boards in attending the funeral.

Resolved, unanimously, As a further mark of respect for the memory of the deceased, That the two Boards do now adjourn, and that they stand adjourned until Monday the 4th of next month.

Resolved unanimously, That the Presidents of the two Boards be requested to transmit to the widow of the deceased a copy of the foregoing resolutions.

The National Intelligencer, Saturday, October 2, 1824

The funeral of our late Mayor S.H. Smallwood, Esq. took place yesterday afternoon and was respectably and numerously attended. As a mark of respect to the merits of this citizen, the shops on the Avenue were closed at 3 o'clock yesterday for the remainder of the day.

*The Navy Yard Section During the Life of the Rev. William Ryland
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Mr. Smallwood was one of the first of the city's merchants, being mostly engaged in the lumber business. He owned one of the wharves on the Anacostia River near the foot of Fourth Street, and was actively engaged in many other things. He was a director in one of the banks; was an incorporator of the Washington City Canal, which was expected by its projectors to be a mine of wealth to the stockholders and a source of great benefit to the city; was one of the incorporators of the Navy Yard Bridge Company, which built the first bridge over the Anacostia after the two bridges across that stream were destroyed during the invasion of the city by the British in 1814; was one of the managers of the public lottery authorized by the city government for raising funds for the building of public school houses and of the city hall; and was mayor of Washington from 1819 to 1822, and again from June to September, 1824. He died in 1824. His daughter married Jonathan Prout son of William Prout, owner of what was known as Prout's Farm, out of which was formed much of the city in the Navy Yard section.

The residence of Mr. Smallwood is still standing, being what is now known as 324 Virginia Avenue southeast.

Abstract From: Allen C. Clark, "Samuel Nicholls Smallwood, Merchant and Mayor," Vol. 28, Columbia Historical Society, 1923.

Colonel Samuel N. Smallwood was a leading dealer in lumber and building supplies. He lived at the corner of 2nd & N St., S.E. (now part of a public housing project just southeast of the Waterside Mall), in the neighborhood of Smallwood's Wharf located at the foot of 2nd St., S.E. on the "Eastern Branch" (the Anacostia). At the time it was one of the main wharves of the City.

In 1820 the City had a population of 13,474, of whom 3,636 were black (1/2 slaves and 1/2 free). There were 2,141 buildings in Washington including a Masonic Hall and eleven churches. Alexandria and Georgetown were significant ports at the time having 9,844 and 7,519 inhabitants respectively.

Smallwood first entered public life in 1804 when he was elected to the 3rd Council as Alderman (serving with Rapine). He was reelected in 1806 and 1809-1811. Smallwood was elected Mayor by the City Councils in 1819. In 1820 Congress amended the city charter to provide that the Mayor be elected by popular vote to a term of 2 years. Smallwood was the first to be so elected. He lost the election of 1822 to Thomas Carberry, but was reelected Mayor in 1824. His term was cut short when he died Sept. 30, 1824 at the age of 52.

His last act (signed Aug. 24, 1824) created the committee to make arrangements to receive and entertain General Lafayette. Members of the committee included **Maj. Genl. Brown [R57/150-152]**, **Commodore Tingey [R57/1]**, Daniel Carroll, **Richard Bland Lee [R28/24]**, and **George Watterston [Hamilton & Watterston family vault]**.

During Smallwood's term plans were adopted for a City Hall as designed by **George Hadfield [R30/33]**, and the site on Judiciary Square was selected. He also authorized an Act to pay Francis Scott Key \$60 for services as the City Counsel and Attorney.

Smallwood was one of the founders of the Congressional Cemetery. Mr. Crew's History of Washington (p. ???) shows Smallwood as one of the signers of the article incorporating the cemetery on April 4, 1807. Smallwood was a vestryman of Christ Church and his name appears as a member of the Board of Trustees absent at a meeting in 1812 but present at meetings from 1816 to 1824.

From 1823 to 1824 Smallwood served, together with **Commodore Tingey**, on a committee to acquire funds from Congress to build a brick wall to enclose the cemetery. Their efforts resulted in an appropriation of \$2,000 and the first brick wall was erected in 1824.

Smallwood, his wife, and several children who died in infancy are buried in the family plot. The children who survived to adulthood are buried as far afield as St. Anthony, Minnesota where his son served as a minister.