



JULIUS FURMAN BELL, SR.

07-20-1871 -- 12-03-1940

MEMORY HILL CEMETERY, WESTERN SECTION,
BEHIND THE 10 GRAVES OF MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE

W. FRANKLIN STREET

MILLEDGEVILLE, GA

NAME: JULIUS FURMAN BELL, SR

PERSONAL INFORMATION

OCCUPATION(S): GROCLERY STORE OWNER

OTHER INFORMATION: CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MERCHANTS AND FARMERS BANK

MASONIC INFORMATION

LODGE(S): BENEVOLENT #3 9-1-1899

STATE OFFICES HELD: _____

CHAPTER(S): TEMPLE #6 5-31-1901

STATE OFFICES HELD: GRAND HIGH PRIEST 1916

COUNCIL(S): _____

STATE OFFICES HELD: _____

COMMANDERY(IES): PLANTAGENET #12 4-9-1902

STATE OFFICES HELD: _____

OTHER MASONIC ORGANIZATIONS: _____

OTHER MASONIC STATE OFFICES HELD: _____

NATIONAL MASONIC OFFICES HELD: _____

MASONIC AWARDS: _____

OTHER INFORMATION:

Mr. J.F. Bell buried with full Masonic honors Wednesday

Mr. Julius Furman Bell, Sr., passed away at his home on Liberty street early Tuesday morning, Dec. 3rd, aged 69 years.

Mr. Bell had been ill, and under the care of physicians for several months. It was realized for some weeks past that his vitality was yielding, and in spite of medical skill the end was approaching, and his death did not come as a surprise to those who realized the seriousness of his condition. The news of his demise spread rapidly over the city, and during the day hundreds of friends of this prominent citizen called at the home to express sympathy to his family and loved ones.

The funeral services were held at the residence at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. A. M. Pierce pastor of the Methodist church, and Rev. J. M. Terest, of the Baptist church, officiating in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends of the deceased.

The floral offerings, banked on and around the casket, were numerous and beautiful in design, bearing silent testimonials of love and esteem.

The remains were buried on the family square in the city cemetery with Masonic honors, the ceremony being led by Past Grand Master, Jos. A. Moore. The following acted as pallbearers: W. J. Penn, Watts Powell, Paul Stephens, Jim Newton, J. L. Jones, E. D. Kenyon, H. S. Jones, Dr. T. M. Hall, Joe A. Moore, Sr., J. B. Melpass, W. L. Ritchie, Dr. Richard Binion, Dr. O. C. Woods, J. H. Holloway, H. S. Wootten and Joe Grant.

The honorary escort was composed of the officers of the Grand Chapter of Georgia, Royal Arch Masons; trustees of the Masonic property, and directors of the Merchants and Farmers Bank.

J. Furman Bell was a son of the late Capt. M. R. Bell, and Mrs. Susan Edwards Bell, and was born in Milledgeville July 20th, 1871. He attended private schools in his younger years, and entered the Georgia Military College when it opened in 1880. As he grew into young manhood he was a member of the



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being a regular attendant upon its services, and a liberal contributor to its expenses and benevolences. He served as a member of the Board of Stewards for a long number of years.

He was especially active in the Masonic fraternity, and was given high honors in this organization. He had been past master of Benevolent Lodge No. 3, Free and Accepted Masons; Past High Priest of Temple Chapter, No. 6 Royal Arch Masons; Past Commander of Plantagenet Commandery No. 12, Knights Templar; Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Georgia, and for twenty years was chairman of the finance committee of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of the local Masonic property, and was treasurer at the time of his death.

In early manhood Mr. Bell married Miss Fannie Hollinshead, who preceded him to the grave several years and by whom he is survived by the following children, J. F. Bell, Jr., of this city; George H. Bell, of Charlotte, N. C., and John Bell, of Atlanta; two daughters, Mrs. Charles Napier, of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. D. M. Wells, of Atlanta. His second wife was Mrs. Ophelia Moore, who with one son June Bell, and a stepdaughter, Mrs. D. W. Herdecke, of Atlanta, survive him. He is also survived by a half brother, Mr. E. Bell, and a brother Mr. Miller Bell, both of Milledgeville.

LOCAL GIRLS WERE
UNIVERSITY'S GUESTS

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