

William M. Derickson, (11 Apr 1842 – 8 Mar 1917), Patriot, Friday, March 9, 1917; **W. M. Derickson Is Dead, Aged 75; Never tasted Intoxicants, Never Smoked Nor Chewed, and Avoided Use of Slang, His Envidable Record.**

William M. Derickson, 156 Sylvan Terrace, of whom it is said he never tasted any intoxicating liquors, never smoked nor chewed tobacco, never used a profane word, but once, and always guarded against the use of slang, died yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in his home after an illness of five weeks. Death was due to a complication of diseases. **Mr. Derickson** was in his seventy-fifth year.

Deceased was a retired baggage-master of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, having finished 39 years of service on the road. He was born in Greenwood Township, Perry County, April 11, 1842, and entered the service of the P.R.R. at Harrisburg, April 14, 1873, as a baggage check man. On November 7, 1874, he was promoted to passenger brakeman and remained in that capacity until November 15, 1886, when he made baggage master.

His running schedule, a system which has since been abolished, was to run on train No. 41 west and train No. 59 east the first day of the week and on train No. 89 west and No. 90 east the second day. The third day he was idle.

Mr. Derickson was a member of the Pennsylvania Railroad Relief association and the Messiah Lutheran Church. Besides his wife, **Mary Alice**, he is survived by two daughters, **Mrs. Josephine McCarthy**, of Philadelphia, and **Mrs. Caroline Norris**, at home. One son, **John C.**, of Harrisburg, and one **sister** also survive.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon in the late home at 4 o'clock. The Rev. H. W. A. Hanson, of Messiah Lutheran Church, will officiate. The body will be taken to Newport for interment.

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Patriot, Saturday, March 10, 1917

Funeral services for William W. Derickson, 75 years old, who died Thursday, will be held from his home, 156 Sylvan Terrace, tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. The Rev. Henry W. A. Hanson, pastor of Messiah Lutheran Church, will officiate. The body will be taken to Newport for interment. Mr. Derickson was a retired baggage master of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He was a member of the Railroad Relief Association and the Messiah Lutheran Church.

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