

Henry Dubignon

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H.F. duBIGNON DIES SATURDAY; FUNERAL TODAY-Well Known Native Resident Passes At His Home

Harry F. du Bignon, 89, native Brunswickian, popular among a wide circle of friends, and a member of one of Glynn County's oldest and most prominent families, passed away at his home, 716 Union Street Saturday night.

Mr. du Bignon and [sic] been in ill health for a long time, but only for the last three months has he been quite ill. He was in the local hospital for a time returning to his home when he was somewhat improved.

Mr. du Bignon had spent his entire life in Brunswick. For 54 years he was clerk of the Glynn Superior Court, where he made an outstanding record. He was considered one of the best superior court clerks in the state. He retired in 1952 because of ill health.

Before becoming court clerk, Mr. du Bignon was associated with the old Brunswick Grocery Company, a wholesale company which did a large volume of business. He entered the clerk's office to spend more than a half century and during all of those years he seldom had opposition for the office.

Mr. du Bignon was a member of the Brunswick Kiwanis Club and up to the time of his illness he had a perfect attendance record. He served in the Naval Reserve during the Spanish-American War. He had been a lifelong member of St. Xavier's Catholic Church and in his younger days he was active in church, social and other circles of the city.

Mr. duBignon probably was better known than any Brunswick resident. Among his hundreds of friends were people of every walk of life, all of whom held him in the highest esteem.

He is survived by six nieces, Mrs. Leonard Hayes, Mrs. Charles Van Gilder, Mrs. Frank Woodcock, Mrs. Frank Vogel, all of this city; Mrs. Lee Howard, Savannah, and Mrs. J.H. Brown of Jacksonville, and one nephew, Harry du Bignon Parker of this city. Several grand nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 o'clock this morning at St. Frances Xavier Church with the Rev. James M. Cummings officiating. Interment was in Oak Grove Cemetery under the direction of Edo Miller & Sons Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers were seven grand nephews, John Stiles, Wright Parker, Eddie Parker, Frank Woodcock, Jr., John Howard, Dr. Lee Howard, Jr., Savannah, Lt. Harry du Bignon Howard, Camp LeJeune, N.C., and Dr. Robert Howard, Athens; honorary, the Brunswick Bar Association, the personnel of the Glynn County courthouse, Solicitor Glenn Thomas, Judge Douglas Thomas, Fred Pfeiffer, and Dr. Albert Galin.

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