

*Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery Inventory*

State and Water Streets, Dover DE 19903

Lot Number: 70 Space: A1

Find A Grave # 11904322 \

Name: **Clarke, Eldad Lore**

Birth date: 1851 Death date: July 21, 1940 Burial Date: July 24, 1940 Age: 89  
b. Dover, DE

Spouse: Kate W. *Lukens* Clarke (1850-1929) m. August 30, 1879, Philadelphia, PA

Children:

Parents: William John Clarke (1813-1894) and Elizabeth Dallas *Lore* Clarke (1824-1912)

Siblings: Elizabeth S. Clarke (1844-1918); William Lore Clarke (1847-1899)

Residence: 18 East State Street, Dover, DE

Cause of death/Burial/Obituary:

Service/occupation information: Druggist: Founder of "Clarke and McDaniel" drug store, Dover DE/ active in Masonic Lodge and Robbins Hose Co. See next page for obituaries.

Officiate: Rev. E.M. Shockley, Wesley Methodist Church and Rev. Elliot Field, Dover Presbyterian Church

Lot Owner: Eldad Lore Clarke

Marker: shared with spouse

Inscription:

Side one:

Eldad Lore Clarke  
1851 - 1940

Side two:

Kate W. Lukens Clarke  
1850 - 1929

DIMENSIONS: H 14" x W 72" x D 24"

STYLE: sarcophagus

No repairs needed



Inventory date: March 5, 2020 Recorder: Ellen Richardson

Marriage record, Methodist Midtown Parish, Philadelphia, PA 1879

Date.	Names of Parties.	Residence.	Place of Birth.
1879 Aug. 30	Eldad L. Clark Kate W. Lichten <small>Methodist Midtown Parish</small>	Dover, Del. Phil. <small>(Cohocksink Midtown Parish) Philadelphia marriage records 1879</small>	Dover, Del. Phil.

The Morning News, Wilmington, DE, Monday, July 22, 1940

**ELDAD L. CLARKE,  
89, DIES AT DOVER**

The Morning News,  
Wilmington, DE, Mon. July 22, 1940

**Drug Firm Head Was First  
President of Robbins Hose  
Company, Masonic Leader**

*Special to The Morning News*

DOVER, July 21—Eldad L. Clarke, first president of the Robbins Hose Company and founder of the drug firm of Clarke and McDaniel in Lockerman Street, died at his home at 18 East State Street tonight. He was 89.

Long in failing health, he recently entertained a party of 13 friends to mark his eighty-ninth birthday. He was stricken Friday.

He retired in 1927 from the drug firm which he had founded in 1873. A native of this city, he helped organize the fire company in 1882, and was active in Masonic circles here.

He was oldest surviving past master of Union Lodge No. 7, A. F. and A. M., serving as master in 1887. He was grand master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware in 1893.

Mr. Clarke was noted as having started many downstate youths on careers as druggists. His long-time partner, Harry McDaniel, died last spring. The store is now operated by Hughett K. McDaniel.

Mr. Clarke left no close survivors. No funeral arrangements were announced.

The News Journal, Wilmington, DE, Wednesday, July 24, 1940

**Funeral Rites Are Held  
For Eldad L. Clarke**

DOVER, July 24—(Special).—Funeral services for Eldad L. Clarke, 89, oldest Masonic grand master and druggist, who died here Monday, were held today from the Connor Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were members of the Robbins Hose Company, of which Mr. Clarke was the first president and one of the founders. A Masonic service was conducted, with the Rev. E. M. Shockley, pastor of the Wesley Methodist Church, and the Rev. Dr. Elliot Field, Dover Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Among those attending the services were: T. Scott Purse, Seaford, grand master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, and Chester R. Jones, Wilmington, grand secretary of the lodge.

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