

*Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery Inventory*  
State and Water Streets, Dover DE 19903

Lot Number: 51 Space: H

Find A Grave# 11904539

Name: **Comegys, Dr. Joseph Parsons**

Birth date: November 21, 1865 Death date: Burial Date: January 21, 1935 Age: 69  
b. Covington, KY



JOSEPH P. COMEGYS

Spouse: Elsie Virginia *Thompson* Comegys (1868-1920), m. 1895

Children: Amy Maram *Comegys* Klum (Mrs. John C. Klum) (1902-1959); Zelina De MacKlot *Comegys* Brunschwig (Mrs. Roger Brunschwig) m. 1938 (1897-1981); Celeste *Comegys* Peardon; Cornelia *Comegys* Bartlett (Mrs. H. Howell Bartlett) (1904- ) Marie (Mary) Celeste Comegys (1898-1988)

Parents: Sara Jane *Good* Comegys (1843-1934) and Cornelius Parsons Comegys (1838-1917)

Siblings: Mary Comegys (1868-1928)

Residence: Rock Island, IL

Cause of death: Bronchopneumonia Paralysis; Agitans Arteriosclerosis Cerebral;  
Arteriosclerosis Cerebral

Service/occupation information: Captain, Marine Corp. Arsenal surgeon, Rock Island, IL,  
WW I,  
Great grandson of Cornelius P. Comegys, Gov. of DE in 1838

Officiate:

Lot Owner: Zelina Comegys (Mrs. Roger Brunschwig) Endowment: the Comegys Fund  
\$100

Inscription:

Joseph Parsons Comegys  
Captain M. C. U. S. A.  
1865 - 1935  
Son of  
Cornelius Parsons  
Comegys  
and Sara Jane Good  
His Wife

Footstone: J. P. C.

DIMENSIONS: H 38" x W 20" x D 2"

STYLE: headstone and footstone

Repairs needed: footstone needs adjusting; cleaned summer 2022



Inventory date: February 8, 2020 Recorder: Marcia Waters

The News Journal, Tuesday, January 22, 1935

The Dispatch, Moline, IL, Wed. November 25, 1981  
Daughter of Dr. Comegys

**Obituary**  
News Journal, Tues. January 22, 1935

**Dr. J. P. Comegys, World War Captain, Succumbs**

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Dr. Joseph Parsons Comegys, who was post surgeon of the Rock Island, Ill, arsenal during the World War, with the rank of captain, died yesterday at his home, 325 East Fifty-seventh street, New York, of pneumonia following three years of invalidism. He was born in Covington, Ky., sixty-nine years ago, a son of Cornelius P. Comegys, of Dover, Del., and a great-grandson of the Cornelius P. Comegys who was Governor of Delaware in 1838. His first American ancestor was Cornelius Comegys, who came from Lexmont, Holland, to New Amsterdam in 1654.

After graduating from the Jefferson Medical College in 1891 Dr. Comegys practiced in Rock Island until he moved to New York after the armistice. He was a member of the American Medical Association, County Medical Society, Sons of the Revolution and the Holland Society. Four daughters survive. They are Miss Zelina de M. Comegys, Mrs. Theodore P. Peardon, Mrs. John C. Klum and Mrs. H. Howell Bartlett.

The Dispatch, Moline IL, Wed. Nov. 25, 1981

**Mrs. Zelina Brunschwig**

Mrs. Zelina Comegys Brunschwig, a Rock Island native who became an internationally known fabric and wallpaper designer, died Sept. 10 in New York City. She was 84.

She was chairman of the board of Brunschwig Fils, a New York textiles firm known for its fabrics, wallpaper and art reproductions.

She grew up in Rock Island, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Comegys. Her father was a physician at Rock Island Arsenal.

After graduating from Rock Island High School, she began her career as a fabric designer in 1929. In 1938 she married Roger Brunschwig, whose family had been in the textile business for 85 years.

Mrs. Brunschwig in 1951 was awarded the Legion of Honor by France for her contributions to that nation during and after World War II.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Cornelia Bartlett and Mrs. Celeste Peardon.

The Morning News,  
Wednesday, January 23, 1935

**DR. JOSEPH P. COMEGYS  
DIES IN NEW YORK CITY**

Dr. Joseph Parsons Comegys, 69 years old, of New York city, a great grandson of the late Cornelius P. Comegys, governor of Delaware in 1838, died Monday at his home. Dr. Comegys was the son of the late

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| <p><b>Cornelius P. Comegys, of Dover, Del.</b></p> <p>Dr. Comegys was born in Covington, Ky., and during the World War was post surgeon on the Rock Island, Ill., arsenal. He graduated from the Jefferson Medical College and practiced medicine in Rock Island until he moved to New York. He was a member of the American Medical Association, County Medical Society, Sons of the Rev-</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Extends Across Country</b></p> <p>Freezing weather extended across the deep south from Florida to California. Thousands of cattle froze to death in Texas and others succumbed to exposure in northern Louisiana. Vegetable crops in the Rio Grande district were damaged</p> <p>olution and the Holland Society. Four daughters, Miss Zelina deM. Comegys, Mrs. Theodore P. Reardon, Mrs. John C. Klum and Mrs. H. Howell Bartlett, survive.</p> |
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