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James Michaels, 76, 217 West Washington St., Monroe, a retired farmer, died at 8:25 p.m. Sunday at the Adams County Memorial Hospital, following an extended illness. He attended the Monroe United Methodist Church and was the caretaker at the Ray Cemetery from 1970 until 1977. He also served on the cemetery board for many years.

Born January 26, 1904, in Livingston County, Illinois, he was the son of William and Mary VanDerkar-Michaels, Sr., and was married June 9, 1934 in Chattanooga, Ohio to Edna Hedington. He moved to the Monroe area in 1910.

Survivors include the wife; two son, Lowell G., Valparaiso, and Daniel J., Rt. 6 Decatur; two daughters, Mrs. William (Mary) Stengel, Wabash, and Mrs. Steve (Kathleen) Schlickman, Long Island, N.Y.; one brother, Harry, Berne; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. One daughter, Jane Elen, died in 1952, and two brothers also preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Monroe United Methodist Church, with Rev. William K. Rapp officiating. Burial will be in the Ray Cemetery. Friends may call at the Winteregg-Linn & Haggard Funeral Home from 2 p.m. until 9 p.m. Tuesday. the body will lie in state at the church from 9 a.m. until service time Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are to the Ray Cemetery Improvement Fund