

Friday, Feb. 24, 1967

ELMER W. PETERS FOUND DEAD AT HOME

Elmer W. Peters, 60, prominent chicken raiser and president of the Echo Mutual Tornado Insurance Co., was found dead Thursday evening at his home in Wells county, one and one-half miles north of U.S. 224 near the Adams-Wells county line.

He had apparently died about 8 a.m. of a heart attack while gathering eggs at his farm. His body was found by his wife, Elsie, when she returned home from her place of employment in Decatur.

Born in Wells county, October 15, 1906, he was a son of Fred and Anna Hilgeman-Peters. His first wife, Martha Conrad, died in 1941, and he was married Nov. 4, 1944, to Elsie Kruetzman.

Mr. Peters was a member of the Salem United Church of Christ at Magley, and was a director of the Wells county Farm Bureau Co-op.

Surviving in addition to his wife are a son, Leroy Peters, of Coldwater, O.; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Karl (Kathryn) Fuhrman of Decatur route 3; two sisters, Miss Edna Peters of Sheboygan, Wis., and Mrs. Alvin Huth of Frankton, and five grandchildren.

Funeral rites will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Salem United Church of Christ at Magley, with Rev. George F. Reusser officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may call at the Elzey funeral home in Ossian after 7 p.m. today until 12 noon Sunday, and at the church from 1 p.m. Sunday until time of the services.

From book "Salem United Church of Christ Cemetery in Magley" [IN] by Lila Kruetzman Rauner

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