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EDWIN E. WITTE

Edwin E. Witte, 64, route 1, Decatur, part owner of Associated Tire, Fort Wayne, and active in the affairs of St. John Lutheran Church (Bingen), died at 4:22 p.m. Wednesday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient for two weeks.

He had been associated with Associated Tire for 35 years and semi-tired for two years. He was a former trustee of the church, chairman of the Wyneken expansion, committee member of the cemetery expansion, and former chairman of the congregation. He was a member of the VFW in Fort Wayne and a veteran of World War II, serving in the Navy.

Born in Allen County on Nov. 20, 1921, he was the son of John and Esther Werling Gallmeyer-Witte, and was married December 28, 1952, to Betty L. Hockemeyer; she survives.

Also surviving are four children, Gene E., route 3, Decatur; Jan A., at home; Jay E., route 5, Decatur; Jeff M., Decatur; two half-sisters, Mrs. John (Ruth) Gresley, route 1, Decatur and Mrs. Wilmer (Marie) Hetherington, Englewood, O.; and one granddaughter, Holly Ann Witte. One half-sister, Mrs. Marie Kreigh, and one half-brother, Paul Gallmeyer, are deceased.

Services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Zwick-Boltz & Jahn Funeral Home and at 2:30 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church (Bingen), Rev. Luther Russert officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today and from 2-9 p.m. Friday. Memorials are to the church or the donor's choice.

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