

Edwin H. Reinking

Decatur - 1912-2000

Edwin H. Reinking, 88, of Decatur, a charter member of Preble Volunteer Fire Department where he served as its first president, died Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2000, at Adams County Memorial Hospital.

The Adams County native retired in 1978 from Schafer Wholesale Hardware as buyer and continued working part time until 1992 with a total of 57 years of service. He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Preble, where he had held several offices, was active in the choir for more than 65 years and taught Sunday school. He was a former member of Rotary Club and Lutheran Chorale.

Surviving are his wife, Leona M.; sons Dennis L. and James A., both of Decatur; a foster son, Randy Wefel of Decatur; daughters Connie J. Kreigh of Decatur and Marilyn A. Franke of Ossian; a brother, Karl of Decatur; a sister, Alice Doeden of Bradenton, Fla.; 15 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother and two sisters.

Services are 10:30 a.m. Friday at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Preble, with calling one hour before services. Calling is also from 6 to 9 p.m. today and also from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur. Burial will be at St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials are to the church or Wyneken Expansion Fund.

Information provided by Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur, 1-219-724-9164.

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