

**Samuel G. Bentz Dies Monday Night**

Samuel G. Bentz, 73, of 312 John street, and bailiff of the Adams circuit court for the past 17 years, died at 10 o'clock Monday night at the Adams county memorial hospital. He had been seriously ill for the past month and underwent surgery Monday morning.

Born in Adams county Dec. 5, 1890, he was a son of Joseph and Catherine Wilhelm-Bentz, and was a lifelong resident of the county. His wife, the former Lena Davis, preceded him in death in 1921.

Mr. Bentz, a former Adams county deputy sheriff, was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church, the Holy Name society and the Eagles and Moose lodges.

Surviving are two brothers, Louis Bentz of Decatur, and Ralph Bentz of Akron, O., and one sister, Mrs. Edith Shell of Decatur. Four brothers and sisters are deceased.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in St. Mary's Catholic church, with the R. Rev. Msgr. Simeon Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery. The body was removed to the Gillig & Doan funeral home, where friends may call after 7 p.m. Wednesday, and the rosary will be recited at 8 p.m.

(Tuesday, 3-10-1964)

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**Courthouse Offices Close For Funeral**

All offices in the Adams county courthouse will be closed Thursday morning until 11 o'clock in respect to Samuel G. Bentz, veteran circuit court bailiff, who died Monday night. Judge Myles F. Parrish stated the court room will be closed until 12 noon, but other offices will open at 11 o'clock.

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