

Heart Attack Fatal To Adrian H. Coffee

Adrian H. Coffee, 63, for many years a member of the Decatur police department until his retirement, died suddenly of a heart attack at 12:30 p.m. Monday at his home, 503 North Fifth street.

Although he had been in ill health since February, his death was unexpected.

Mr. Coffee was a 23-year veteran of the city police department until his retirement in 1956. He was then employed as pressman and stereotype at the Decatur Daily Democrat for some time, and for the past five years was employed at Bag Service, Inc.

A lifelong resident of the Decatur area, he was born here April 27, 1901, a son of David and Anna Hessler-Coffee. He was married in 1923 to the former Miss Mary E. Lobsiger, who survives.

Mr. Coffee was active in Fraternal Order of Police and was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church, the Knights of Columbus, and Holy Name society.

Surviving in addition to his wife are four sons, Fred, Louis and Thomas Coffee, all of Fort Wayne and Gary Coffee, of Decatur; 11 grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Fred Colchin and Mrs. E. Berling, both of Decatur. One daughter, Mrs. Phyllis Jean Eichhorn, and three brothers preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9:30 a.m. Thursday at St. Mary's Catholic church, with the Rt. 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. today until time of the services. The rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Wednesday. (Monday, 8-10-1964)

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