

(From obit book at Decatur Library, Decatur, Indiana)

Dated Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1967

Miss Bertha Johns dies last evening

Miss Bertha R. Johns, 84, a lifelong resident of the Decatur area, died suddenly at 6 p.m. Monday at the Twin Maples nursing home in Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient for several years.

She was born in Adams county Jan. 31, 1883, a daughter of Frederick and Mary Walter-Johns, and resided for many years at 422 West Adams street.

For many years, Miss Johns was an employee of the former Thomas Cigar Co. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church, the Rosary society, and the Catholic Ladies of Columbia, which she served for many years as a member of the degree team.

Surviving is one cousin, Miss Christine Conter of Decatur.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Mary's Catholic church, with the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Simeon Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery. Friends may call at the Gillig-Doan & Sefton funeral home after 4 p.m. Wednesday until time of the services. The rosary will be recited at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.

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