

ANTHONY (BILL) KITSON

Anthony (Bill) Kitson, 54, of Rt. 2, Ohio City, died at 7:30 a.m. today at Adams County Memorial Hospital, Decatur, Ind. He had been ill since last August and hospitalized for two months.

Born June 16, 1912, in Decatur, Ind., he was the son of Charles and Rose (Durkin) Kitson. His marriage was solemnized Sept. 15, 1940 in Van Wert.

Mr. Kitson was employed at General Electric in Decatur for 26 years. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Decatur, the Holy Name Society, Knights of Columbus, and the American Legion Post in Decatur.

Mr. Kitson was a veteran of World War II and a recipient of the Purple Heart.

Survivors include his widow, Katherine (Brown) Kitson; two sons, James and Donald, both at home; a daughter, Mrs. Steven (Jean) Smith of Long Branch, N. J.; and two sisters, Miss Winefried Kitson of Decatur and Mrs. Russell Byer of Willshire.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Decatur with the Rev. Dennis Blank officiating. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Decatur.

Friends may call at the Zwick Funeral Home in Decatur after 7 o'clock tonight.

**Contributed by Karin King**

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Dated: May 16, 1967

Anthony Kitson dies after long illness

Anthony (Bill) Kitson, 54, of Ohio City, O., route 2, seven miles northeast of Decatur in Harrison township, Van Wert county, died at 7:30 o'clock this morning at the Adams county memorial hospital. He had been ill since last August and hospitalized for the past two months.

Mr. Kitson, an employee of the General Electric Co. plant in Decatur for 26 years, was a veteran of World War II, enlisting Nov. 19, 1943. He was captured Dec. 11, 1944, while serving in the European theater of war, and was liberated April 28, 1945. He was awarded the Purple Heart and received his discharge Nov. 25, 1945.

Born in Decatur June 16, 1912, he was a son of Charles T. and Rose Durkin-Kitson, and was married in Van Wert Sept. 15, 1940, to Miss Katherine Brown. The family lived in Decatur until moving to Ohio several years ago.

Mr. Kitson was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church in this city, the Holy Name society, Knights of Columbus and Adams Post 43, American Legion.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, Donald C. and James W. Kitson both at home; one daughter, Mrs. Steven (Jean) Smith, whose husband is in service at Long Branch, N. J.; three brothers, Thomas P., Joseph E. and Harold R. Kitson, all of Decatur; and two sisters, Miss Winefride Kitson of Decatur, and Mrs. Russell (Genevieve) Byer of Willshire, O.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday at the St. Mary's Catholic church, with Rev. Denis Blank officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery, with military services by Adams Post 43, American Legion. Friends may call at the Zwick funeral home after 7 p.m. today until time of the services. The Holy Name society will recite the rosary at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

**Transcribed by Janice Vasilovski**