

Monday, March 30, 1964

Charles J. Miller Dies Last Evening

Charles J. Miller, 76, well known Decatur man and lifelong resident of Adams county, died at 8:30 p.m. Monday at the Adams county memorial hospital, where he had been a patient for the past week. He had been in failing health for some time.

Born in Adams county Sept. 23, 1887, he was a son of Mathias and Mary Ackerman-Miller, and was married to Miss Bertha Steigmeyer June 11, 1912.

Mr. Miller was employed for years at the General Electric Co. plant in this city until his retirement a number of years ago.

He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church, the Holy Name society, Third Order of St. Francis, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, of which he was a past grand knight.

Surviving are his wife; four sons, Marcellus Miller of Lima O., Leo Miller of Orange, Calif., and Donald R. and Eugene L. Miller, both of Decatur; three daughters, Mrs. Robert (Lucille) Rumschlag, Mrs. Paul (Dorothy) Wiseman, and Mrs. Wayne (Celeste) Peterson, all of Decatur; one sister, Mrs. Anna Meyers of Avilla; three brothers, Frank, Bernard and Edward Miller, all of Fort Wayne; 25 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Three children preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9:30 a.m. Friday 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. Wednesday until time of the services. The Third Order of St. Francis will recite the rosary at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, followed by the Holy Name society at 8 p.m. The Fourth Degree K. C. will post an honor guard at the funeral home from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and will act as honorary pallbearers. Nephews of Mr. Miller will be active pallbearers.

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