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Ed P. Miller, Veteran Law Officer, Dies

Edward P. Miller, 74, well known veteran law enforcement officer, a former Adams county sheriff and former Decatur police chief, died at 4:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon at his home, 334 Winchester street.

He had been seriously ill for the past four months and in critical condition for several weeks.

Mr. Miller, a lifelong resident of Adams county, joined the Decatur police force Jan. 1, 1931, serving until Dec. 31, 1938. He was elected sheriff of Adams county in the fall of 1938 on the Democratic ticket, and was reelected in 1940, serving four years. He then returned to the city police force Jan. 1, 1943, and served until retiring June 1, 1956. He served as chief of police from 1943 to 1947.

Born in Washington township Feb. 5, 1889, he was a son of Paul and Mary Geimer-Miller, and he was married to Miss Gertrude Ulman June 7, 1916.

Mr. Miller was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church, the Holy Name society, and the Fraternal Order of Police.

Surviving in addition to his wife are three daughters, Miss Rosemary Miller, at home, Mrs. Paul C. (Mildred) Gross and Mrs. Robert (Ethel) Bolinger, both of Decatur; nine grandchildren; three brothers, Leo and Leonard Miller, both of Fort Wayne, and Anthony Miller of Kalamazoo, Mich., and two sisters, Mrs. Gertrude Markley of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Jacob Heiman of Decatur. Three sisters and two brothers are deceased.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9:15 a.m. Monday at St. Mary's Catholic church, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Simeon Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery. Friends may call at the Zwick funeral home after 7 p.m. Saturday until time of the services. The Holy Name society will recite the rosary at 8 p.m. Sunday.

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