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1939-1940 Scrapbook, Image 114 - 115
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AGED DECATUR LADY IS DEAD

Mrs. Phoebe Schumacher Dies Wednesday After Long Illness

Mrs. Phoebe Schumacher, 90, a resident of Decatur for 85 years, died at 9:15 o'clock Christmas morning at the home of a son, William, after a several years' illness of complications and old age.

She was born in Hamburg, Germany, June 29, 1850, the daughter of Philip and Catherine Keipper, and was brought to this community when five years of age. Her husband, Frank, died preceded her in death.

She was the oldest member of the St. Mary's Catholic church and was also a member of the St. Mary's Society.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Anna Reynolds and Mrs. Margaret Brown of Toledo, O., three sons, William and Tony Schumacher of Decatur and Frank Schumacher of Indianapolis; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. One daughter, Mrs. Ted Ramsey, is deceased.

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at (cut off) the churchRev..... officiating.

Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery.

The body will be removed from the Gillig & Doan funeral home this evening to the residence of the son, 704 Elm street, and may be viewed after 7 p.m. until time of the funeral.