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Mrs. John Blakey Dies This Morning

Mrs. Bertha E. Blakey, 75, wife of John W. Blakey, of Union township, six miles northeast of Decatur, was dead on arrival at the Adams county memorial hospital at 7:15 o'clock this morning. Mrs. Blakey had not been ill and her death was unexpected.

She was born in Van Wert county, O., March 24, 1889, a daughter of George and Louise German-Reidenbach, and was married in Convoy, O., to John W. Blakey Oct. 1, 1911. She and her husband, a former Adams county treasurer and county commissioner, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1961.

Mrs. Blakey was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran church, the Ladies Aid, Women's Missionary League and Valpo Guild.

Surviving in addition to her husband are three daughters, Mrs. Herman (Adele) Bleeke of Decatur route 5, Mrs. Verner (Margaret) Stromberg of Roanoke, and Mrs. John (Hilda) Miller, Jr., of Convoy; one son, Wilbur Blakey, Union township trustee; 12 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one brother, Martin Reidenbach of Napa, Calif., and one sister, Mrs. George Reinking of Fort Wayne. One daughter is deceased.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the Zwick funeral home, and at 2 p.m. at the Immanuel Lutheran church. The Rev. F. W. Droegemuller will officiate, and burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today until time of services.

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