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Sam Ritter Dies at Home This Afternoon

Sam Ritter, 78, died at his home on Harrison street at 1 o'clock this afternoon. The widow and several children survive. The body was taken to the Gillig and Doan funeral home where it will be held pending funeral arrangements. Final arrangements will be made after a son Henry, who is in the army, is heard from.

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Samuel Ritter Rites Wednesday Afternoon
Decatur Man Dies After Long Illness

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon for Samuel Ritter, 77, retired timber cutter, who died Monday afternoon at his home in this city of complications. In failing health for eight years, he had been bedfast the past two months.

He was born in Noble county December 2, 1864, the son of Tibius (sic) and Susan Ritter, but had resided in Decatur most of his life.

Surviving are the widow, Eliza Jane; the following children: Mrs. Mary Largent, Mrs. Violet Sprunger, Mrs. Margaret Maines and James Ritter, all of Decatur; Mrs. Dorothy High, at home; Mrs. Elizabeth Ward and Mrs. Agnes Hindenlang, both of Fort Wayne, and Henry Ritter of Camp Forrest, Tenn.; two brothers, David Ritter of Decatur and Nathan Ritter of Michigan, and 14 grandchildren. Two sons, one brother and four sisters are deceased.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the home and at 2 o'clock at the First United Brethren church, Rev. R. R. Wilson officiating. Burial will be in the East Salem cemetery. The body was removed from the Gillig and Doan funeral home this afternoon and may be viewed after 7 o'clock this evening at the residence.