

**Decatur Daily Democrat, Adams Co, IN; Thursday, 21 May 1953**

Lawrence Johnson Is Taken By Death

Funeral Services Saturday Afternoon

Lawrence Johnson, 65, who resided two miles northwest of Decatur on the Winchester road, died Wednesday at the Lutheran hospital in Fort Wayne. He had been ill since January 5 and confined to the hospital for four and one-half weeks. A former employe of the Cloverleaf Creameries, he had been employed at the Zintsmaster motor sales until his illness.

He was born in Harrison township, Van Wert county, O., Feb. 4, 1888, a son of Joel and Serena Jackson-Johnson, and was married to Mae Workinger Nov. 25, 1908.

Mr. Jackson was a member of the Union Chapel Evangelical United Brethren church.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Ermel H. C. Johnson, Root township; one daughter, , Mrs. Verlin Burke of Decatur; five grandchildren; and three brothers, William Johnson of St. Mary's township, Jesse Johnson of Van Wert county, and Vallie Johnson of Huntington. One son, four brothers and four sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the home and at 2 o'clock at the Union Chapel Evangelical United Brethren church, the Rev. L. T. Norris officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery. The body will be removed from the Zwick funeral home to the residence, where friends may call after 7 o'clock this evening.