

## **Decatur Daily Democrat, Adams Co, IN; Friday, August 13, 1976**

Max M. Knavel, 80, died at 4:45 Thursday in Veterans Hospital, Indianapolis, after an extended illness. Mr. Knavel resided at 422 S. First St. in Decatur before entering the hospital.

A member of American Legion Post 43 in Decatur and a veteran of World War I, Mr. Knavel was a former Decatur city employee, retiring after 25 years.

Born November 3, 1895 in Monroe, he was the son of John and Rachel Hahn-Knavel, and was married on January 8, 1936 to Lillian Hodle, who passed away August 24, 1975.

Survivors include three sons, Richard of La Harpe, Kansas, Jerry W. of Berne and Jay D. of Decatur; two daughters, Mrs. Vernon (Betty) Abbott of route 1, Berne, and Mrs. Lester (Mary Jane) Fellers of Geneva; 15 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Winteregg-Linn & Haggard Funeral Home, Rev. Richard G. Kirk in charge, and burial will be in the Decatur Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday. Military graveside rites will be held by American Legion Post 43.