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Omer H. Merriman, 95, Fort Wayne, a former two-term Adams County Assessor, died at 8:10 p.m. Monday in Lutheran Homes.

He was born on December 17, 1900 in Adams County to William and Anis V. Riley Merriman. He married Mary Carr on December 24, 1927; she died on May 21, 1994.

He was a retired farmer, a Root Township trustee in the 1950s, and county assessor from 1963-1970. He was active in the Democratic party for many years and was also active in the annual Adams County CROP drives.

Mr. Merriman was a member of Union Chapel United Methodist Church, rural Decatur, and held most of the church's offices, including trustee, building fund committee member, and Sunday School teacher.

Surviving are a son, James D. Merriman, Preble; three daughters, Mrs. Warren (Rose) Kneuss and Mrs. James (Rowena) Voglewede, both of Decatur, and Sandra S. Yodice, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; a brother, Austin Merriman, Monroe; 15 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren. Deceased are two brothers, Russel and Elisha Merriman, and a sister, Beryl Smith.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in Union Chapel United Methodist Church, with burial in Decatur Cemetery. Visiting hours are 2-9 p.m. Thursday in Haggard and Armes Funeral Home, Decatur, and 9-10 a.m. Friday in the church. Preferred memorials are to the church or the donor's choice.