

Burial Rites Friday for Cal F. Peterson
Prominent Decatur Man Dies Tuesday

Funeral services will be conducted Friday for Cal Fuller Peterson, 55, prominent Decatur resident, who died at 1:15 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at his home, 603 Penn street. He had been ill of complications for six months and in critical condition for some time.

Mr. Peterson had been prominent in Republican party circles his entire adult life. He had served as a Republican precinct committeeman since 1932 and had been a delegate to all Republican state conventions since 1948. He was reelected to both positions in this month's primary election. From 1926 to 1930, he served as chief clerk to Charles Biederwolfe, clerk of the supreme and appellate court of Indiana.

Mr. Peterson was elected chairman of the Adams county Republican central committee in 1940, serving in that position until 1944. He was a member of the Masonic Blue lodge in Decatur, and the Scottish Rite and Shrine in Fort Wayne. He was employed as yard conductor by the Pennsylvania railroad in Fort Wayne until his illness.

Mr. Peterson was a member of the Church of God.

Born in Adams county Dec. 2, 1902, he was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peterson and was married to Edna L. Neukom Dec. 19, 1924.

Surviving in addition to his wife are his mother, who resides in Decatur; five sons, Cal M. and Charles M. Peterson, both of Fort Wayne, Richard K. Peterson of Monroe, Don R. Peterson of Decatur, and Ralph T. Peterson, at home; seven grandchildren; one brother, Ralph C. Peterson of Goshen, and two sisters, Mrs. Lynn Shirk of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Eugene Melchi of Decatur. One sister preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Gillig & Doan funeral home and at 2 p.m. at the Church of God, the Rev. Huston Bever, Jr., officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 o'clock this evening until time of the services. The Masonic Blue lodge will hold a memorial service at the funeral home at 8 o'clock Thursday evening.