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RICHARD ROOP DIES HERE EARLY SUNDAY

Funeral Services Tuesday Afternoon

Richard B. Roop, 79, of 134 1/2 East Monroe Street, and a well known Decatur resident, died at 12:10 o'clock Sunday morning at the Adams County Memorial Hospital. He had been in failing health for two years with complications, but his condition has been serious only two days.

Mr. Roop was the last surviving charter member of the Moose lodge in this city and one of the fraternal organizations oldest members.

He was born in Adams County Aug 6, 1874, a son of Jacob C. and Harriet Troutner-Roop, and was married to Martha E. Drummond in August of 1894. His wife preceded him in death three years ago.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Cleo Linn of Decatur; two sons, Ralph J. Roop of Decatur and George Roop of Wren, O.; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Hila Murray of Decatur, and a brother, Charles Roop of Hammond. One son, one brother and two sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Blake (?) funeral home, the Rev. L. T. ??, officiating, assisted by the Rev. E. B. McCallister. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home until time of the service. All members and officers of the Moose lodge are asked to meet at the lodge home at 7 o'clock this evening, and will go in a body to the funeral home to hold memorial services at 7:45 p.m.

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### **Berne Triweekly News, Adams Co, IN; Monday, 31 August 1953**

#### **Richard Roop Dies at Decatur**

Decatur, Aug. 31 -- Richard Bernard Roop, 79, of this city, died at 12:10 a.m. Sunday in the Adams County Memorial hospital after a two-day illness.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Cleo Linn, Decatur; two sons, Ralph J. Roop, this city, and George Roop, Wren, O.; a brother, Charles Roop, Hammond, and a sister, Mrs. Hila Murray, Decatur.

The body is at the Black Funeral Home, where friends may call after 2 p.m. Monday. Services will be conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. The Rev. Lawrence Norris will officiate, assisted by the Rev. Eugene McAllister. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery.