

DR. COWAN IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Dr. James C. Cowan, Adams County Native, Died Sunday

Funeral services for Dr. James C. Cowan, 63, prominent Fort Wayne and New Haven surgeon, and native of Adams county, will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Cowan home on the Lincoln highway, east of Fort Wayne.

Dr. Cowan's death occurred Saturday night of acute dilation of the heart, preceded by a coronary occlusion. He had been ill six weeks.

Burial will be in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at New Haven.

Dr. Cowan was born in St. Mary's township, Adams county, the son of J. C. and Amy Cowan. He began the practice of medicine in 1904 at Monroeville, Ind., and Dixon, O., and had been engaged in practice at New Haven and in Fort Wayne for more than 36 years.

He was a graduate of Loyola university at Chicago and the late Harry Jones of Berne, a cousin, was a member of the same graduating class.

After his graduation from Loyola he was awarded an internship at the Frances Willard hospital by competitive examination. He also taught at the Van Wert county hospital and the Fort Wayne Methodist hospital and volunteered his professional services in the San Francisco earthquake and fire of 1906.

He was one of the oldest members of the Fort Wayne Lutheran hospital staff, was active in the Fort Wayne Medical association, the Booster club of New Haven and a member of the Masonic lodge, F. & A. M., at Monroeville and a thirty-third degree Mason, member of the Fort Wayne chapter Scottish Rite.

The body was taken to the Cowan funeral home at Van Wert, O., and was returned to the residence today. Immediate relatives may call at the residence during Wednesday morning. It is suggested friends go to the Grace Methodist church at New Haven Wednesday afternoon from 1:30 to 2:30 o'clock where the body will lie in state.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Julia Cowan; a son, Byron Webster, and four daughters, Marianne, Virginia Lee and Julia Anne, all students at Indiana university, and Patricia Colleen; three brothers, E. H. Cowan of Tacoma, Wash., H. B. Cowan of Van Wert, O., and J. D. Cowan of Willshire, O.; and two sisters, Mrs. Brice McMillen of Decatur and Mrs. D. B. Roop of Los Angeles.

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Heart Ailment Fatal To Cousin of Late Dr. Harry Jones

Private funeral serviceso'clock for Dr. J. C. Cowan, 63, prominent ...Fort Wayne and New Haven ?? who died at 11 a.m. Sunday of a heart ailment after an illness of six weeks. He was a coworker of Dr. D. D. Jones of this place...of the late Dr. H. O. Jones...latter and the Dr. Cowan were members of the same graduating class at Loyola university.

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