

Friday, April 7, 1939

Frederick L. Sellemeyer Dies after an Extended Illness

Frederick L. Sellemeyer, 86, prominent Decatur resident, died last night at 9 o'clock at his home on North Fourth Street.

Death was attributed to cerebral malecia, following an extended illness.

The deceased was born in Preble Township March 5, 1853, the son of Ernest and Christena Sellemeyer. He was married to Elizabeth Malber on May 7, 1875. During early married life the couple resided on the farm in Preble Township. They moved to Decatur in 1890, where he resided until time of his death.

He was confirmed March 17, 1869 in the Salem Reformed Church until he came to Decatur; he moved his church affiliations to the Zion Reformed Church here.

Children surviving are: Mrs. Fred Harper, Mrs. O. L. Vance, Miss Della Seddlemeyer, all of this city. A daughter, Emma, died in infancy.

Two grandchildren also survive. They are Lee Anna Vance-Merwin of New York City and Suzanne Sellemeyer. To other grandchildren, Katharene Sellemeyer and Geraldine Vance died in infancy. A great grandchild, Mather Merwin of New York City, also survives. Three brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

The body has been taken to the Zwick Funeral Home, where it will remain until this evening, when it will be removed to the residence, 329 North Fourth Street. It may be viewed there from 7 o'clock this evening until time for the funeral, which will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home and 2:30 at the Zion Reformed Church, with the Rev. Charles M. Prugh officiating. Burial will be made in the Decatur Cemetery.

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Former Local Resident Dies

Miss Winifred Clark Dies Thursday at Indianapolis

Miss Winifred Clark, 33, daughter of Mrs. D. D. Clark of Anderson, formerly of this city, died Thursday afternoon in an Indianapolis hospital while undergoing an operation for a brain ailment.

Miss Clark had been suffering from the cause for some time and a week ago underwent a preliminary operation. Death occurred while the major operation was being performed yesterday.

The deceased was born in Decatur. She was a daughter of the late Dr. D. D. Clark. She was graduated from St. Joseph's High School and moved to Anderson with her mother several years ago.

The body will be brought here Monday noon and taken to St. Mary's Catholic Church, where the casket will be opened. It is expected that the funeral party will arrive here about 11:30 am. The casket will be open for a half hour and burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Surviving besides the mother are four sisters: Mrs. Ralph Amrine, Mrs. W. W. Pool of Anderson; Mrs. George Baker, Los Angeles, who will arrive here for the funeral; Mrs. Virgil Van Matre of Muncie, and one brother, Dr. John W. Clark of Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be held at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning at St. Mary's Church, Anderson with Monsignor Thomas Travers officiating (cut off).

Monday, April 17, 1939

Mary Eichhorn Weds Jack Sollis

Miss Mary Eichhorn, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. G. F. Eichhorn of this city and Jack Sollis of Fort Wayne were united in marriage Saturday, April eight, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine. The couple will make their home in Fort Wayne. The bride was a student in the Decatur Schools.

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