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Vernon Blakely Dies at Hospital

Vernon E. Blakely Sr., 74, 733 Tilmor Ave., died Tuesday in Ball Hospital. A native of Celina, Ohio, he grew up in Redkey. He once owned a clothing store there and later one at Winchester. He moved to Muncie in 1955 where he was employed as a sales representative for Unified Funds.

He was a member of Gethsemane United Methodist Church, Muncie Lions Club, and Delaware Post 19, American Legion. He was a World War I veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Mae W.; two daughters, Mrs. John E. Dunn and Mrs. Jane Pettyjohn; a son, Vernon E. Jr.; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all of Muncie.

Friends may call at Meeks Mortuary from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and before services there at 2:30 p.m. Thursday. Rev. William Gierhart will officiate. Burial will be in Gardens of Memory, north of Muncie.