



WALTER (BUTCH) KRUEGER

Walter A. Krueger, Ex-Baseball Player, Dies Thursday Night

Walter A. (Butch) Krueger of 952 E. Clinton St., a former professional baseball player from the 1920s era, died Thursday night in Freeport Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

Krueger played professional ball in the American Association League for Columbus, Ohio. In November 1925, a dinner was held at the Freeport Masonic Temple for Krueger and Emil Yde, also of Freeport, who played baseball in the National League.

Three years earlier, Krueger had been hired as manager of the newly formed Freeport Athletic Association, a local athletic club.

Mr. Krueger was a machinist employed at Fairbanks-Morse Co. until his retirement in 1960. He was a lifelong member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Freeport and a charter member of the Germania Club.

Born Feb. 1, 1893, in Freeport, he was the son of John and Sophia (Hill) Krueger. He married Helen Rampenthal Oct. 15, 1915, in Freeport, and she died in January 1960. He married Edna Wagner Rath Aug. 15, 1964, in Freeport.

Surviving are his widow; and two brothers, Albert and Edwin, both of Freeport.

Preceding him in death, besides his first wife, were two sisters and two brothers.

Funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday at Walker Mortuary with the Rev. L. James Brooks, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran, officiating. Burial will be in Oakland Cemetery.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the mortuary.

A memorial fund has been established for Immanuel Lutheran Church.

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