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G. F. Settan, baseball Old Timer, coach dies

A mass of the resurrection for George F. Settan, former president of the Old Timers Baseball Association and a member of its Hall of Fame, will be offered at 10 A.M. Saturday at St. Elizabeth's Church, Baltimore street and Lakewood avenue.

Mr. Settan, who was 80 and had lived recently at 3532 Glenmore avenue, died Tuesday at St. Joseph Hospital, after a short illness.

Mr. Settan, who was known as Ginger, had coached championship teams at St. Elizabeth's, played professional baseball and once had an offer from the New York Yankees.

Was hospital engineer

He had retired 15 years ago as chief stationary engineer at St. Joseph where he had worked since the end of World War II.

Earlier he had worked for the then Glenn L. Martin Company and for the old Baltimore Drydocks and Shipbuilding Company, where he also played baseball.

In 1940, his Holy Name Society team at St. Elizabeth's won two league championships in addition to the state championship and a trip to Birmingham, Ala., to play in the national championships.

A native of Baltimore he had started in baseball in 1907 when he joined the old Mayflower Athletic Club and played third base. He later became a pitcher.

In 1916, he played for Martinsburg in the Blue Ridge League and Hagerstown in the Interstate League, winning 14 games and losing two.

The offer from the Yankees came the following year but he turned it down in favor of marriage to the former Mary



GEORGE F. SETTAN

Elizabeth Bosse and a job at the drydock company. Mrs. Settan died in 1972.

In 1920 he quit baseball until 1937 when he was asked to coach the St. Elizabeth's team where he remained for five years. He also served as president of the Major Catholic League for a time.

A resident of East Baltimore and then of Parkville for many years, he was active in civic affairs and helped Little League coaches.

An active Democrat, he ran unsuccessfully for a second district seat in the City Council in 1943.

He is survived by two sons, William H. and Leo S. Settan, two daughters, Mrs. Viola M. Wirts and Mrs. Margaret H. Roche, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. All are of Baltimore.

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