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Lewis Butcher, age 64, former union head, dies

Lewis K. Butcher, 64, of 1109 W. Monroe street, retired Decatur Casting Co. employe and past president of Local 932, United Steel Workers, died at 12:30 a.m. today at the Bluffton clinic. He had been hospitalized 12 days.

Mr. Butcher retired in 1971 from the Casting Co. after 36 years of service. He had been in the TV repair business for the past 10 years.

He was a member of the St. Mark's United Methodist Church, the Decatur Optimist club and the Red Men's Lodge. Mr. Butcher graduated from Decatur high school in 1929 and was captain of the D. H. S. football team during his senior year. He also attended Huntington College.

He was born in Adams county on September 19, 1908, the son of Adam C. and Eldora J. Johnson-Butcher, and was married on August 22, 1953, to Darlene Somers, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Robert L. Butcher of Decatur, and James A. Butcher of Worthington, Ind.; two sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Roop and Mrs. Hubert (Beatrice) Gilpin, both of Decatur; two brothers, Robert C. Butcher of Decatur, and Maynard N. Butcher of Seattle, Wash.; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. One daughter, one son, two sisters and one brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the Winteregg-Linn funeral home, with Rev. Arthur R. Burnett and Rev. Fuhrman Miller officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 10 a.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to the Heart Fund.