

Decatur Daily Democrat (IN), Feb. 27, 1948

David M. Rice, 76, well known Decatur resident, died at 10:20 o'clock this morning at his home, 120 North Third Street, of a heart ailment. He had been in failing health for some time and his condition had been critical for the past two weeks.

Mr. Rice was director of the Decatur High School band for five years and operated a grocery store on Mercer Avenue in this city for 12 years until retiring several months ago because of ill health. He had also served in the regular army for six years.

He was born in Decatur July 28, 1871, a son of Benjamin and Elizabeth Hart Rice. He was married to Millie Lenhart June 1, 1898.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sisters, Mrs. Blanche Elzey of Akron, Ohio and Mrs. Maude O'Kelly of Portland, Oregon.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Black funeral home, with Dr. M. O. Lester officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery. The Masonic lodge will conduct ritualistic services. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday.