

Wilbur J. Sitterding

Occupant Name: Wilbur J. Sitterding

Location: **Section Q, Lot 46**

Date of Birth: 8/3/1909

Date of Death: 3/23/1971

Date of Burial: 3/26/1971

Veteran: Yes

Lot Owner: R. Mitchell & C. Gaiter

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:

Area Man Dies Suddenly While En Route Home

Wilbur John Sitterding, 61, Freetown R1, died suddenly at 12:45 p. m. Tuesday while driving on a county road west of Brownstown, en route to his home.

He was pronounced dead at the scene by Victor Burkholder, deputy county coroner, with death attributed to a heart attack.

Mr. Sitterding was driving a car north on County Road 300 West about half a mile north of what is known as the "Ewing slab" when he suffered the attack. The car veered off the road and into a cornfield. Mr. Sitterding's brother-in-law, Edd Beavers, Seymour R4, a passenger in the car, was not injured and the car was not damaged.

Sheriff Joe Gray was called to the scene and he, in turn, notified the deputy coroner.

A lifelong resident of Jackson County, Mr. Sitterding had been a truck driver until he retired due to ill health. He had served in the Navy during World War II and was a member of American Legion Post No. 112, Brownstown, and of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He attended St. Peter's Luth-

eran Church, Brownstown. Born Aug. 3, 1909, in Brownstown, he was the son of the late Herman and Amelia Topie Sitterding.

On Aug. 4, 1961, in Brownstown, he married Hazel Beavers who survives. In addition to the widow, he is survived by six children by a previous marriage, Wilbur Donald Sitterding of Seymour R4, Clarence Leon Sitterding of Seymour, John Henry Sitterding of Valonia, Mrs. Gay (Darrin) Ison of near Freetown, Mrs. Donald (Deidra) Cockerham, of near Brownstown and Mrs. Larry (Carole) Likens, both of near Brownstown; three sisters, Mrs. Deloss (Margaret) Bouck of Leeds, S. Dak., Mrs. Charles (Helen) Gater of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. George (Emma) O'Hara of Fort Wayne; one brother, Herman Sitterding of Seymour; and 15 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p. m. Friday from the Spurgeon Funeral Home, Brownstown, with the Rev. J. V. Moyer, pastor of the St. Peter's Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial in Fairview Cemetery.

Friends may call after 3 p. m. Thursday at the Spurgeon

