

**Last Rites Held
For Well Known
N.B. Businessman**

Earl W. Hegemier, 64, widely known former businessman and former funeral director, died of complications at 6 a.m. last week Tuesday at his home at 331 East Front Street, New Bremen. He had been in failing health for the past several years.

Mr. Hegemier, active in church and civic affairs, was a former member of the New Bremen city council; a charter member of the Lions club; council commander of Woodman Camp 141 which he also served as secretary for 20 years; and a member of the Home Benefit Association.

He belonged to the St. Paul's United Church of Christ and the church Brotherhood. He had held various offices in the church and was a faithful member.

For 35 years he was former co-owner and furniture store operator and was a former associate of the Gilberg Funeral Home.

He was born in New Bremen on July 10, 1901, a son of Mrs. Fred (Martha Bruggeman) Hegemier and the late Mr. Hegemier. His father died on September 23, 1962.

On July 15, 1926, he married Irene Roettger who survives with his mother; a son and daughter-in-law, the Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Hegemier of Toledo; two grandsons, David and Jonathon Hegemier; a sister, Mrs. Edgar (Olga) Moeller of New Bremen; and a brother, Arnold Hegemier of New Bremen.

Besides his father, he was preceded in death by a son in infancy, a grandchild, Christy Lynn Hegemier and a brother, Wilbur Hegemier.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Vornholt funeral home, New Bremen, with the Rev. E. H. Bassler officiating. Burial took place in the German-Protestant Cemetery.