

Last Rites Held For Lloyd W. Blanke

Lloyd W. (Pete) Blanke, 56, of 16 East Front street, New Bremen, an instructor of fifth-grade students for the past 35 years, died suddenly at 8:15 a.m. Thursday at the New Bremen Public School. His death was attributed to a heart attack, which he suffered while preparing for morning classes.

Mr. Blanke had suffered a previous heart attack four years ago.

He was a graduate of the New Bremen schools and of Ohio Northern University, Ada. Prior to teaching in the elementary school which he had attended in his youth, Mr. Blanke had taught fifth-grade classes at Kettlersville, Noble Township and Buckland. At Buckland, he also coached basketball.

He was an avid sports fan and had been active in baseball clubs in the surrounding area.

Mr. Blanke was a member of the St. Paul United Church of Christ, where he had been a Sunday School teacher in the past.

A native of Shelby County, he was born on August 11, 1908, to Henry and Florence Scheafer Blanke.

On June 14, 1933, he married the former Irene Kettler, who survives.

He also is survived by three brothers, Victor of Botkins; Orrin of Kettlersville and Lester of New Bremen.

Services were conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Vornholt Funeral Home with Dr. E.H. Bassler, as the officiating clergyman. Interment was made in the German Protestant Cemetery.