

## Fred C. McGowan 1940, 1941, 1951



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Fred C. McGowan, 90 years old, of 100 Longview Place, died at 4 a.m. Saturday at the Lutheran Home in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. McGowan was born Feb. 22, 1893 in Oswego, Kan., a son of Frank and Anna McGowan. He married Ella Keller Miller June 13, 1942 in Cape Girardeau. She died Jan 13, 1972.

Mr. McGowan moved to Poplar Bluff as a child and attended public schools there, graduating from Poplar Bluff High School. He worked in a drug store there after graduation and in 1922 he moved to Cape Girardeau, where he was employed by St. Charles Drugs.

In 1945, he purchased Sunny Hill Feed and Seed Store, which he operated until his retirement in 1962.

He was active until 1979 in a number of organizations. In 1940-41, he was state commander of the Sons of Union Veterans.

His memberships included George Washington Auxiliary 10; Ford D. Senior Citizens; St. Mark's Lodge No. 93, AF and AM; Cape Girardeau Commandry No. 55, Knights of Columbus; Cape Council

No. 20, RSM; Wilson Chapter No. 75, RAM; Sword of Bunker Hill; Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem; St. Mark's Order of Eastern Star, and Evangelical United Church of Christ.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. W.R. Thompson, Cape Girardeau; a niece, Mrs. Elsie Kuehner, St. Louis; a nephew, Walter Doyle, East St. Louis, Ill.; four grandchildren, Mrs. Nancy L'Hommediu and Miss Julie Thompson, both of Cape Coral, Fla., Mrs. Trisha Kell, Miami, Fla., and Mrs. Mike Edwards, Cape Girardeau, and two great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at Ford and Sons Funeral Home after 3 p.m. today. St. Marks's Masonic Lodge will conduct a service at the funeral home at 7 tonight.

Funeral service will be Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home with the Rev. Ernest Jordan, pastor of Evangelical United Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Lorimier Cemetery here.

Pallbearers will be Jewel Clark, Julius Roloff, Paul Sitzes, Bill Brinkopf, James Childress, and Bill Stickler. Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. John Crowe, Ferd Peetz, Irvin Rasche, Walter Doyle, Albert M. Spradling Jr and Carl Meyer.