

Business Leader Kuntz Dead At 58

Arthur C. Kuntz, 58, 308 Third St., prominent Defiance businessman, was taken to Defiance Hospital by the rescue squad at 8:43 p.m. yesterday when he became ill at his home. The squad administered oxygen and closed heart massage en route. He died there at 3:50 a.m. today.

A son of Ernest and Anna (Kuhr) Kuntz, he was born in Toledo, Jan. 22, 1910. He and Esther Gomersall were married on March 13, 1936.

Surviving are the widow; a daughter, Mrs. Charles (Phyllis) Kron, Cincinnati; a son, David, at home; a grandson, David Edward Kron; a sister, Mrs. Harry (Olga) Felix, and a brother, Harry, both of Toledo.

Preceding him in death were

2 brothers, Edward and Hugo, both of Toledo.

He was a member of Kappa Psi, pharmacy fraternity; Ohio State Pharmacy Association; Maumee Valley Pharmacy
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Association, of which he was a past president and Ohio State Pharmaceutical; St. Paul's Lutheran Church, where he was president of the church council for three terms; Defiance Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Lions Club. He was Heart Fund chairman, member of the Cancer Fund and Defiance Industrial Planning Commission.

A charter member of Defiance Lions Club he had attained 27 years' perfect attendance; was past president, past district governor, international counselor and had served in state cabinet offices.

He was one time a member of the city park board.

Kuntz first came to Defiance in 1934, when he worked for 10 months with Peck store here.

In November, 1939, he returned to purchase the Sullinger and Krauss pharmacy, 510 Clinton. A second Defiance store was added to the business in September 1958, when he opened a drug store at 1249 E. Second St. He also owned a Kuntz Drug Store in Toledo.

He was a registered pharmacist and a graduate of the University of Toledo.

Very active in the Lions Club, he was elected local president in 1945; junior deputy district governor in 1954 and district governor in 1956. He also was elected a director for three years of the Defiance Chamber of Commerce in 1947 and became president of the organization in 1953.

Calling hours at Mast and Mock Funeral home will be after 8 o'clock this evening. Services will be conducted in St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 3 p.m. Saturday. The pastor, the Rev. Edwin H. Dodt, will officiate.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Defiance Hospital.