

IN MEMORIAM

FRANK FISHER

On February 19, 1967, the Allen County Bar Association lost one of its true friends when Judge Frank Fisher of Vermillion County, Indiana, departed this life.

Frank Fisher was born in Rosedale, Park County, Indiana, 51 years ago. He was a graduate of Terre Haute Gerstmeyer High School and took his undergraduate work at Indiana State University. He was a graduate of the Voorhees Law School, which was formerly located in Terre Haute, Indiana. He was at the time of his death serving as president of the Indiana Judges Association and had been active in the preparation of the Indiana Pattern Jury Instructions. His ability as a judge was noted many times by the Indiana Supreme Court when that Court appointed him to serve as special judge in many courts around the state. At the time of his death Frank Fisher was serving his fourth term as Judge of the Vermillion Circuit Court. Before being elected to the bench, he served as Prosecutor of Vermillion County.

Frank Fisher was active in the Masonic bodies of the Terre Haute area and in January was elected Potentate of Zorah Shrine. He was a 33rd Degree Mason and had been active in Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite, and Eastern Star.

Frank Fisher was truly a friend of the members of the Allen County Bar. He was appointed by the Indiana Supreme Court to sit as special judge in several particularly difficult cases in the Allen County courts. The lawyers who practiced before him were impressed with the depth of his judicial and legal abilities. He was a fair but firm jurist who conducted a trial with dignity and decorum.

Frank's connection with the Allen County Bar did not end with the courtroom. Over the years he attended many of our bar meetings and engaged in many an informal social session with our Fort Wayne

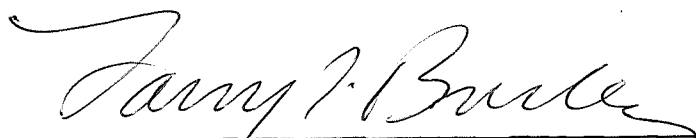
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lawyers. He attended our annual gridiron shows and was on occasion the subject of a roasting as a part of those performances. The fish fry put on by Frank during the course of one trial over which he presided will be long remembered.

The sympathy of the Allen County Bar Association and its members is extended to Frank's wife LaVerna; to his son Richard, a student at Indiana State University; and to his daughter Ann, a senior at Clinton High School.

BE IT RESOLVED THEREFORE, that the President of the Allen County Bar Association is directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the Vermillion County Bar Association with the request that it be spread of record in the records of the Vermillion Circuit Court and with the further request that a copy be personally delivered to the family of Judge Frank Fisher.

Dated this 21st day of February, 1967.


Larry J. Burke, President
Allen County, Indiana, Bar Association