

WAYNE L. MILLER

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At 6:40 P.M. on Friday, May 1st, 1964, our fellow colleague and Member of the Bar of Allen County, Wayne L. Miller, age 58, departed this life thus ending the valiant struggle which he fought for the past months. Most of his fellow lawyers will not forget the tremendous courage Wayne exhibited to all of us when he continued to carry on his profession in spite of the fact that his strength was waning and the victory of the disease was inevitable.

Wayne was graduated from the School of Law at Indiana University in the year 1933 and admitted to the Bar of the State of Indiana the same year. He returned to Fort Wayne and immediately began the active practice of law with notables of the Bar namely, Judge Ballou and Lloyd Hartzler now Judge of our Superior Court No. 3. He later formed associations with Harold Korn now Judge of our Superior Court No. 2, Allen Lomont, Jim Murphy, Charles Bond, Dan Flanagan, Paul Nieter and Maxwell Smith. In his last years of active practice he maintained an office by himself in the Utility Building and had as his faithful secretary his constant companion namely, his beloved wife Ursula Morton Miller.

Wayne Miller was active politically and together with his wife worked many hours in the nomination and ultimate election of the present Mayor. For years he devoted much time to the Republican party and served in various capacities within the party including the presidency of the Allen County Republican Club, a charter member

In the formation of the Allen County Young Republican Club and the campaign manager for the election of the late Congressman George Gillie.

As a dedicated citizen Wayne accepted his responsibility to the community and, in turn, was accepted by the community in that he was elected Judge of the City Court and held this position for five years. He served as deputy prosecutor of Allen County and was a member of the first Board of Directors of the Young Men's Christian Association. He was a member of many civic organizations and a dedicated citizen of our city.

Wayne was married to Ursula Morton who was his strong right arm through all of his years. To this union were born seven daughters namely, Mary Martha Bennington, Victoria, Patricia, Becky, Brenda, Kathleen, Susan and two grandchildren.

Wayne was an active layman within the Catholic Church. He and his family attended St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church and he was a member of its Holy Name Society.

Wayne Miller was a dedicated lawyer, a devoted husband and an unselfish and loving father. His love for his wife and family was paramount in his mind. In spite of his adversities in later life his only thought was the responsibility he owed towards his wife and family and to this end he diligently pursued his practice with the love towards his family that few can excel in our modern society.

He was loved by his wife and children, and as he stated on many occasions, this was the real reward in living. Wayne was a good lawyer, a generous man and a person very thoughtful of others. His kindness and help to the unfortunate was almost unbelievable and was done for the most part in a silent and quiet manner. As a fellow lawyer he was always considerate of his fellow practitioner and many times would help a young lawyer in a financial way even if it was at his own expense. His personality was delightful and he was polite to which all of us can well testify. We will miss Wayne and we can well gain a lesson from a man who never let bitterness gain a foothold in his life even in his grave moments of adversity, both in sickness and in health. His life can best be summed up in his statement to his wife last Thursday morning when asked what he would want, "You have given me everything."

Mr. Chairman, I move that this testimonial be spread upon the records of the Circuit Court of Allen County and that a copy of this Memorial be sent to his family.

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of Allen County Indiana Bar Association  
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