Arthur W. Siems

Arthur W. Siems, 85, of 14 Greenfield Circle, died late Tuesday afternoon at his home following a short illness. A 48 year employee of the Illinois Central Railroad, he retired in 1959. He was a veteran of World War I. Born Jan 12, 1894, in Freeport, he was the son of John and Diana L. (Sandmeier) Siems. He married Mary Timmons April 6, 1925, in Dixon. Surviving are one stepdaughter, Mrs. Louise Wagner of Pacifica, Calif.; three stepsons, John Fitz of Orrtanna, Pa., and Alphonse and Alvin Fitz, both of Freeport; six step grandchildren; nine step great grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. John (Sybil) Ceroni Sr. of Ridott. He was preceded in death by his wife in 1972, and two brothers and one sister. Graveside service will be at 10:30 am Friday at Chapel Hill Cemetery with the Rev. James Griffes, pastor of Second Presbyterian Church officiating. There will be no visitation. The family requests that all remembrances be directed to the memorial fund which has been established. Arrangements were completed by Schwartz Funeral Home.

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