

Burns in Home Explosion Are Fatal to Kokomo Man

Burns received in an explosion in his home on Aug. 24, proved fatal to Wallace (Wally) Cox, 43, 317 Elliott Ct., on Monday

Cox died in Veterans Hospital in Indianapolis at 5:30 p.m. of burns received in the early morning explosion which blew the south wall of his home.

Cox had told police that he arose at 5:45 a.m. and had gone to the kitchen to light a cigaret. The resulting explosion caused about \$3,000 to the home. Gas had accumulated in the kitchen from an unlighted oven set at 325 de-

grees. He was alone in the home at the time.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Ellers Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. Harold Cline officiating. Burial will be in the Albright Cemetery, with military rites.

Friends may call at the chapel, 114 W. Harrison St., after 10 a.m. Wednesday.

Mr. Cox was born May 3, 1918 at Mt. Pleasant, Tex., the son of Samuel and Ella (Duncan) Cox, and had lived in Kokomo the last

21 years. He was married in 1939 to Jeanette Gee, who survives.

He was employed as a salesman by the McClintock Furniture Co., and had formerly worked for the Ed Roll Appliance Co.

Mr. Cox had served in the U.S. Navy during World War II in the South Pacific area, and was a member of VFW Post 1152 and American Legion Post 6.

Surviving with the widow are two daughters, Vicki and Debra and four sons, Steven, Mark, Donald and Ronald, all at home; his mother, Mrs. Ella Cox; one sister, Mrs. Roberta Womack, and one brother, Urban Cox, a of Shreveport, La. One daughter is deceased.