

Dr. Frank Clifford

Dr. Frank O. Clifford, 87, 1607 W. Walnut St., died at 6:21 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 27, 1983, at his home. He was born in Anderson, Jan. 7, 1896, a son of Frank L. and Emily (Kibbe) Clifford. Aug. 24, 1943, he married Doris B. Werts in New York City. She survives.



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Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. James (JoAnne) Goff of Kokomo, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. A sister and two brothers are deceased.

Clifford graduated from Kokomo High School in 1913 and from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry in 1918 where he received his Doctor of Dental Surgery and Orthodontics degrees. He was a member of American Board of Orthodontists and Fellows of International College of Dentists.

He practiced general dentistry in Detroit until 1940 when he moved to Kokomo to specialize in orthodontia. He was a member of several overseas teaching tours sponsored by the American Association of Orthodontists. He had published several articles in orthodontic journals.

Retiring in 1971, Clifford was a member of American Association of Orthodontists and its components. A member of the Indiana Dental Association he was past president of both the Wabash Valley and Howard County Dental Societies. He was a life member of the Dental Fraternity of Delta Sigma Delta; and was founder and honorary guardian of its historical library and museum at the University of Michigan.

Clifford received the fraternity's distinguished service award in 1975 and was composer of the song, "I'm a Delta Sig," which was chosen as the official fraternity song in 1976. In 1983, he received the distinguished membership award in recognition of his long service to Delta Sigma Delta and his contributions to humanity and to the profession of dentistry.

He was an Army veteran of World War I, a member of First Congregational Church, Detroit Masonic Lodge, life member of Elks Lodge 190, Rotary Club and Kokomo Country Club.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Eilers Mortuary with the Rev. Robert Nunes officiating. Entombment will be in Sunset Memory Gardens Mausoleum. Friends may call from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary. Contributions may be made to the Heart Fund or First Congregational Church.