Erwin J. Flentge, 74, of 1032 Morton Ave., Elgin, died Monday in Sherman Hospital, Elgin. Born April 12, 1902, in Hanover Township, he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry and Minnie Goede Flentge and was a retired employee of the Elgin Water Department, where he had worked for 27 years. He retired in 1967, and was a member of Local 582, Labors International Union of North America. He was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ. Surviving are the widow, Esther Knaak Flentge, to whom he was married Dec. 7, 1938; one daughter, Mrs. Michael (Barbara) Cargill of Elgin; four grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. William (Ella) Daul of Elgin. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Mrs. Clara Theis and Mrs. Martha Wenzel; two brothers, Edward and Harry. Funeral services will be at 1 pm Thursday in the Schmidt Funeral Home, Elgin, the Rev. Charles Austin officiating. Burial will be in Bluff City Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 pm Wednesday in the funeral home. Memorials may be made to St. Paul United Church of Christ.

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