

He was a regular attendant at the Vermontville Methodist Church, when health permitted and will be greatly missed.

Funeral services will be held at the Teman Funeral Home in Grand Ledge, on Bridge St., at 2:00 p. m., Friday. Burial in Grand Ledge cemetery.

# Workman Crushed By Falling Tree

## Kalamazoo Man Killed in Accident Near Sunfield

Lionel G. Cole  
VERMONTVILLE, Feb. 14—Lionel G. Cole, 51, died Sunday forenoon very suddenly of a heart attack while doing janitor work at the Methodist church. He had been a resident here for three years and was in the grocery business. He formerly lived in Nashville. He is survived by the widow, Birdie Cole; six daughters, Mildred at home, Mrs. Virginia Beattie of Battle Creek, Mrs. Bernita Kelly of Cambridge, Mass., Margery Lindburg of Hastings, Betty Ann and Rachel May at home; two brothers, Willett of Battle Creek and Gordon Cole of Grand Ledge; two sisters, Mrs. Hazel Denamen of Syracuse, N. Y., Mrs. Vera Francker of Grand Ledge; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cole of Battle Creek, and three grandchildren. The body is at the Ward funeral home where it will remain until Thursday at 11:45 o'clock and will then be taken to the Methodist church for services at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. George Whiteman officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn

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Jacob Walkier, 48, of Kalamazoo, a state highway department tree trimming crew foreman, was crushed to death about 3 o'clock Friday afternoon by a falling tree near Sunfield, Eaton county.

Walkier was caught beneath the tree when it toppled in the opposite direction it was intended to fall, according to Eaton county officials who investigated the fatal accident.

Rushed to St. Lawrence hospital, Walkier was pronounced dead on arrival.

The body was removed to the Gorsline-Runciman funeral home. It will be taken to Kalamazoo later in the day.

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## Obituary—Gladeus Peabody

Gladeus Peabody was found dead in bed Saturday morning. She and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brown resided in the home a little over a mile east of town known as the Bona Peabody house. She had been in poor health for some time but up and about. Friday night she returned home from a visit with a granddaughter in Lansing and went to bed about midnight. When she did not get up Saturday morning, an investigation was made and found she had passed away during the night of heart trouble.

Sarah Gladeus Peabody, only daughter of Thomas and Ada Chamblin, was born October 10, 1884, at Noble county, Ind., and passed away February 12, 1949, at her home in Sunfield township, at the age of 64 years, four months and two days.

She was married to Nathan Peabody March 5, 1902, and to this union three children were born, two sons, Lee and Lynn, and one daughter, Hildred.

The husband, Nathan, passed away in May 1928 and her twin brother died in infancy.

She was a member of the Eastern Star and past matron of the Sunfield chapter.

She leaves to mourn their loss, the sons, Lee and Lynn, of Sunfield and the daughter, Hildred Hynes, of Lake Odessa, and five grandchildren.

The funeral services were held at the Mapes funeral home Monday afternoon, Rev. Don Carrick officiating. Interment in the Sunfield cemetery.

## KILLED BY FALLING TREE

Jacob Walkier, foreman of a crew of the Kalamazoo office of the State Highway Forestry Dept., was killed here Friday afternoon by a falling tree. Mr. Walkier and his crew were engaged in cutting a big elm tree on the south side of M-43 and a little east of 1st street. The tree was supposed to be cut so it would fall to the east but instead went somewhat to the north and a big limb hit Mr. Walkier as he was standing in the road. He was badly rushed.

The Mapes ambulance was called to take Mr. Walkier to the St. Lawrence hospital in Lansing. He was pronounced dead on arrival at the hospital.

The big elm was a old tree and had furnished shade for many picnickers. When there was an oil station on the corner, there were tables under it for those who wished to use them.

## Guard Sentenced for Manslaughter

George Hawkins, former special patrolman hired by East Side merchants, was sentenced to five to 15 years in prison for manslaughter. Sentence was passed by Recorder's Judge W. McKay Skillman.

Hawkins said he shot John Gause after Gause, 18, of 290 E. Forest, had kidded him about being a "door shaker."