

OBITUARY

NEIL PRATER

Born: November 9, 1893 in Paw Paw, Van Buren Co., MI

Died: June 10, 1977 in Weslaco, Hidalgo Co., TX



WESLACO – Neil Prater, 83, of 416 E. Fifth died about 11 a.m. Friday in Knapp Methodist Hospital after a long illness.

He retired in 1958 as a district manager for the Southwest Division of Kroger Foods. Prior to that time, he had been associated with the Wolverine Produce Exchange of Grand Rapids, Mich.

A resident of Weslaco since 1936, he had moved to Harlingen in 1921. He was a native of Paw Paw, Mich. He was a

veteran of World War I, serving in the U.S. Army as a Corporal.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the McCaleb Funeral Home. The Rev. Monty Richards, Baptist minister, will officiate. Cremation will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in San Antonio.

Survivors include the wife, Mrs. Lila Prater, an artist widely known in the area who operates the Lila Prater Studio; two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Caleyly of Houston and Mrs. Donald Fleming of Willis, Tex.

Also surviving is a granddaughter, Mrs. Linda Heggood of Houston; three grandsons, Steven Caleyly of Pasadena, Tex., Patrick Caleyly and Jon Fleming, both of Houston; and five great-grandchildren.

The family suggested memorial contributions be made to the Knapp Hospital respiratory unit.

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