



EDWARD A. HAGGERTY SR.

Court Clerk E. A. Haggerty Rites Planned

Services for Edward A. Haggerty Sr., clerk of Criminal District Court for 50 years, will be conducted Wednesday at 9 a.m. at the McMahon-Coburn-Briede Funeral Home, 600 Moss St.

Religious rites will follow at St. Theresa of Avila Church. Interment will be in St. Patrick Cemetery No. 1.

Mr. Haggerty, who was to retire in May from his position as court clerk, died last night at the age of 85. He resided at 1426 Polymnia St.

A native of New Orleans and a life-long resident of the First Ward, Mr. Haggerty, father of Criminal District Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr., celebrated his 50th year in office last December.

Another son, Dan B. Haggerty, won a first primary victory to succeed his father in November's Democratic election.

Mr. Haggerty attended Jesuit High School and Tulane University before receiving his law degree at Loyola University in 1924.

He had been a member of the Democratic state Central Committee from the First Ward since 1920 and was a member of the state Constitutional Convention in 1921. He also was named to serve as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1928 and 1944.

Mr. Haggerty was noted for his sharp memory and frequently was sought out by office employes in the Criminal Courts Building to verify dates, names and events forgotten by others.

He served as chief deputy fire marshal for 11 years, and on Dec. 17, 1919, he was appointed by Gov. Ruffin G. Pleasant to fill the unexpired term of Lawrence Cassidy, clerk of Criminal District Court, who had died.

Since 1920 he had been re-elected consistently.

His wife, the former Miss Georgianna O'Neil, died in 1964.

Mr. Haggerty's late daughter, Mrs. Helen Sullivan, had served as her father's minute clerk for many years.

Surviving, in addition to his two sons, are two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Granen and Mrs. Bessie Haney; two sisters, Sister Mary Loyola, M.S.C., of LeMans, France, and Mrs. Sam Ott, Osyka, Miss.; 21 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.