

Well-known Girardeau dies

A former Cape Girardeau postmaster, Ted R. Regenhardt, who had also served as Cape County collector and was active in fund raising and civic organizations here, died at 10 a.m. today at Southeast Missouri Hospital, where he was previously a member of the Board of Trustees.

He had been in failing health the past few years and was admitted to the hospital Wednesday. Mr. Regenhardt was 73 years old and resided at 810 Jurie.

The body is at Brinkopf-Howell Funeral Home. Arrangements for service are incomplete.

Mr. Regenhardt retired as postmaster April 2, 1970, after holding the office for nearly 13 years. His appointment came under President Dwight D. Eisenhower May 28, 1957. During his years as postmaster, he saw the postoffice staff more than double in size, renovation of the old postoffice on Broadway and construction

of the new facility at 320 North Frederick. Introduction of the zip code into the country's postal system also came during his term in office.

He was Cape County collector from 1947 to 1955.

Mr. Regenhardt was a past chairman of the Cape County American Red Cross Chapter. He was active in fund raising activities for county organizations and the United Way. He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, the Scottish Rite of Masonry and was a Knight Commander Court of Honor, and an honorary degree above the 32nd.

Theodore Roosevelt Regenhardt and the former Miss Lois McNeely were married March 31, 1923, at the home of her parents in Leemon. They observed their 50th wedding anniversary in 1973.

Surviving: his wife; son, Maj. J. D. Regenhardt of Los Angeles, Calif.; daughter, Mrs. Freeman Lewis, and six grandchildren.



Ted R. Regenhardt