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VERNON G. ZURCHER

Vernon G. Zurcher, 68, Berne, former varsity boys basketball coach at Adams Central High School, died Wednesday in Fajardo, Puerto Rico, of an apparent heart attack.

Mr. Zurcher was attending an insurance seminar in Puerto Rico at the time of his death. An agent for the Columbus Life Insurance Company, he was a motivational speaker, a group coordinator for Zurcher's Tire, Inc., Monroe, and had previously coached and taught at Larwill and Wawasee High School in addition to Adams Central.

A member of First Missionary Church, Berne, he was a Sunday School teacher at the church and was a former president of the Swiss Heritage Society.

Born in Adams County on January 2, 1929, Mr. Zurcher was the son of William and Eva Stauffer-Zurcher. He married Vera Inniger on January 2, 1950; she survives. Also surviving are four sons: Steven, Berne; Michael, Fort Wayne; Robin, Leesburg; and Kim, Plano, Texas; a daughter, Mrs. Brian (Melanie) Williams of Nappanee; two brothers, Paul and Joshua, both of Monroe; two sisters, Gladys Nussbaum and Naomi Macy, both of Berne, and nine grandchildren.

Two brothers, Dale and Arthur, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at First Missionary Church, Berne, and a private family burial service will be held at Evangelical Mennonite Church Cemetery, Berne. Calling will be from noon to 9 pm. at Yager-Kirchhofer Funeral Home, Berne. Preferred memorials are to the First Missionary Church Building Fund or to the Children's Orphanage in Haiti.

(Editor's note: This obituary notice is being reprinted to provide additional information and corrections in information given to the Democrat for Thursday's obituary notice)

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