

Martin J. Burgard

ERIE — Services have been set for Martin James (Marty) Burgard, 42, of 3330 E. Erie Rd., an Erie Township trustee for 7½ years and former president of the Monroe County Chapter, Michigan Townships Association, who died about 5:30 p.m. Monday in Toledo Hospital, Toledo.

He was to have undergone surgery Monday, but died before the surgery. An autopsy was performed, but the cause of death was still not available today from the Lucas County (Ohio) coroner's office.



MARTIN J. BURGARD

Friends may call after 5 today in the Bennett Funeral Home, Monroe Chapel, where St. Joseph Council 7413, Knights of Columbus, will recite the rosary at 7 tonight. The rosary also will be recited at 7 p.m. Thursday, followed by an ecumenical service. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in the funeral home, with a funeral Mass to be celebrated at 11:30 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Erie. The Rev. Robert Haener will officiate and burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery, Erie.

Mr. Burgard was born Feb. 6, 1943, in Toledo, the son of Ross and Hattie (Stock) Burgard. He was married Oct. 20, 1967, to Beverly Ridner in Erie.

He was employed as a millwright by the Dana Corp., Toledo.

Cause of death given

TOLEDO — The official cause of death for Martin J. (Marty) Burgard, 42, of 3330 E. Erie Rd., Erie, Monday afternoon in Toledo Hospital was a pulmonary embolus (blood clot on the lung), Lucas County coroner Dr. James Patrick ruled Wednesday.

Mr. Burgard died of complications from a knee injury suffered on Oct. 27, Dr. Patrick said. A blood clot is a fairly common cause of death following an injury to the lower extremities of the body, he said.

He was a life member of St. Joseph Church and was secretary of the parish council. He was a special minister of the Eucharist of the parish and was active in Marriage Encounter. He was a member of Council 7413, K of C, and United Auto Workers Local 12, Toledo.

Surviving are his wife; his parents of Erie; two sons, James and Marc, both at home; two daughters, Beth Ann and Renee, both at home; three brothers, Daniel and David, both of Erie, and Dale of Birmingham, and seven sisters, Sister Mary Kent of Whitehouse, Ohio; Mrs. Homer (Madaline) Ausmus and Mrs. Tom (Florence) Hilken, both of Erie; Mrs. Bob (Susan) Darmafol of Toledo; Sister Mary Ross of Norwalk, Ohio; Sister Mary Marc of Whitehouse, Ohio, and Sister Mary Dale of Maumee, Ohio.

Donations may be made to the Marty Burgard memorial fund.

Ex-president of township group dies

ERIE — Martin J. (Marty) Burgard, 42, an Erie Township trustee for 7½ years and former president of the Monroe County Chapter, Michigan Townships Association, died about 5:30 p.m. Monday in Toledo Hospital, Toledo.

Mr. Burgard, of 3330 E. Erie Rd., was slated for surgery Monday, but died before he was to be operated on, a family friend said. He had entered the hospital last month after suffering a leg injury and was a patient at the time of his death.

Cause of death was not available this morning. An autopsy was performed but no ruling was expected until Wednesday, a

† Jesus have Mercy on the Soul of †

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○ GENTLEST Heart of Jesus ever present in the Blessed Sacrament, ever consumed with burning love for the poor captive souls in Purgatory have mercy on the soul of Thy departed servant. Be not severe in Thy judgment but let some drops of Thy Precious Blood fall upon the devouring flames, and do Thou O merciful Saviour send Thy angels to conduct Thy departed servant to a place of refreshment, light and peace. Amen.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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spokesman for the Lucas County coroner's office said this morning.

Services are pending at Bennett Funeral Home, Monroe Chapel.

He was first appointed as township trustee in April, 1973, and served through 1980. He also served on the township zoning board of appeals from 1974-1983 and headed the county MTA chapter from 1977-1980. He also was a Monroe County representative on a regional water quality management board.

He was an active member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, where he was secretary of the parish council, served as a lay minister and was active in the school's parents' club. He and his wife, Beverly, have four children.