Clarence Neal – Kernersville – 1969

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LODD history. Found this tonight, to be added to my database. Kernersville volunteer fireman Clarence C. Neal, 57, died of a heart attack at the scene of a house fire on Old US 421 on February 16, 1969. He arrived after the fire was under control, when he was subsequently stricken. He was transported to Forsyth Memorial Hospital, where he died. He was buried on February 18 at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Winston-Salem. Will add his death certificate in comments.

Fireman Has Fatal Attack During Fire

KERNERSVILLE—Clarence Cornelius Neal, 57, of Kernersville, Rt. 6, a county volunteer fireman, died of an apparent heart attack while at a fire on old U.S. 421 west of Winston-Salem yesterday.

Reece Bauguess, Forsyth County Fire Marshal, said Neal arrived at the fire after it was under control and did not take part in the firefighting. It did not appear that the heart attack was caused by overexertion, he said.

Neal, an employe of Western Electric Co. in Winston-Salem, was given first aid with a resuscitator while he was being taken to the hospital, Bauguess said. The fire was at the home of Marvin King and did only about \$150 damage around the fireplace.

The funeral for Mr. Neal will be at 2:30 p.m. today at Cherry Street United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Winston-Salem.

He was born in Forsyth County to J. M. and Miranda Pegram Neal. He was a member of the Talley's Crossing Volunteer Fire Department, Cherry Street United Methodist Church and the Walkertown Civic Club.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Opal Dean Neal; two daughters, Mrs. Sarah Parnell of 4324 Glenn High Road and Mrs. Carol Angel of Spartanburg, S. C.; his mother of Belews Creek, Rt. 1; a sister, Mrs. Sue Dunlap of Belews Creek, Rt. 1; and four brothers, Edwin Neal of Danbury, Rt. 1. Paul Neal of Motor Road, Winston-Salem, Fov Neal of Kernersville, Rt. 3, and James Neal of Belews Creek, Rt. 1.

The body is at Lain-Bartlett Funeral Home.

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