

Irwin, Thomas Joseph

Well-known Grocer Dies in Hospital

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Funeral service for Thomas Joseph Irvin, for years one of the best-known neighborhood grocery store operators in the East Hill area, will be held Wednesday.

Mr. Irvin, of 171 East Bridge St., died Sunday at Belleville General Hospital. He was 62 and had been in failing health for some time.

For 22 years he operated his store on East Bridge between Charles and Albert streets before selling it about three years ago. Later, after several months he came out of retirement to work in the store for the new owners, Peter and George Zegouras.

Born in Stanleyville, near Perth, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Irvin. He had lived in London, Ont., before coming to Belleville when he went into his own store operation, assisted by his wife, the former Madeleine Barry.

He was a member of the Belleville Sales and Ad Club for many years.

Mr. Irvin was a member of St. Michael's church.

He leaves his wife, two sons Gary and Tracey, both of Toronto — a daughter, Mrs. Walter (Margaret) Zielke, of Ottawa, and a granddaughter.

He is also survived by a brother, John, of Detroit, and a sister, Mary Irvin, of Gananoque.

Resting at the O'Brien-Steele Funeral Home. Funeral Mass will be held at St. Michael's at 11 a.m. Burial will be at St. James Cemetery.

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