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HORACE LEONARD KERGOSEIN

Horace Leonard Kergosein, 77, sheriff of Hancock County from 1940 to 1944, died Thursday morning at his home, 122 Carroll Ave., Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Kergosein, a retired realtor, was a member of a pioneer Hancock County family.

He was born in Fenton, Miss., March 13, 1902, son of the late Dr. A.A. and Lavinia Cuevas Kergosein.

He was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, past president of the Mississippi Peace Officers Association, and a past member of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce.

He was a charter member of the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club and the Pass Christian Isles Golf Club and a past president and longtime member of the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mathilde Gaines Kergosein, Bay St. Louis; two sons, Gregory Gaines Kergosein, Atlanta, Ga., and Phil Kergosein, Bay St. Louis; two daughters, Mrs. Helene K. Vernon, Greenwood, Miss., and Mrs. Peggy Kergosein Rowley, St. Petersburg, Fla.; one brother, Charles Kergosein, Hazelhurst; three sisters, Miss Clara Kergosein, Mrs. Murhl Morlan and Mrs. Hazel Blaize, Bay St. Louis; 25 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Friday from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funerel Home in Bay St. Louis. Recitation of the Rosary was at 8 p.m.

A 10 a.m. Requiem Mass was celebrated Saturday in Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church with the Rev. Morgan Kavanaugh, pastor, as celebrant.

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Former sheriff buried Saturday

By ELLIS CUEVAS

Funeral services were Saturday for Horace L. Kergosien, 77, of Bay St. Louis who died Thursday, August 23, 1979, at his home at 122 Carroll Avenue.

Kergosien served as sheriff of Hancock county from 1940 to 1944. A retired realtor, he was born in the Fenton Community of Hancock County and had been a lifelong resident.

He was a 1920 graduate of St. Stanislaus and served three years on the school's Hall of Fame selection committee.

Kergosien was past president of the Mississippi Peace Officers Association, a past member of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis, and a charter member of

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the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club and Pass Christian Golf Club.

He was president of the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club in 1944 and 1945 and a longtime member.

A visitation was held Friday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, where a rosary was recited.

A requiem Mass was celebrated Saturday at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church with burial in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Kergosien was the son of the late Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Kergosien. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Karen Kergosien Treutel.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mathilde Gaines Kergosien of Bay St. Louis; two sons, Gregory Gaines Kergosien of Atlanta and Phil Kergosien of Bay St. Louis; two daughters, Mrs. Helene Kergosien Vernon of Greenwood, Miss., and Mrs. Peggy Kergosien Rawley of St. Petersburg, Fla.; a brother, Charles Kergosien of Hazelhurst; three sisters, Miss Clara Kergosien, Mrs. Murhl Morlan and Mrs. Hazel Blaize, all of Bay St. Louis; 25 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Pall bearers were Dr. Robert Akers, W. L. Argus, George D. Bensabat, Ulysses Cuevas, Dr. T. A. Quigley and Ernest Spence.

Honorary pall bearers were Omer DeBever, James Hailey, T. T. Robin, Carroll Gordon, Sidney Prague and Joseph Viguerie.