INVESTIGATE FORMER LOCAL MAN'S DEATH

Chicago police are investigating the murder of a former local resident, Charles J. Gill, found dead Wednesday in his Hyde Park area apartment.

Gill, 63, had resided at the Park Beach Hotel Apartments, 5326 S.Cornell, Chicago for the past eight years.

Chicago police said Gills' body was discovered at approximately 7:45 p.m. Wednesday by a hotel maid. The victim had not been seen by anyone for hours prior to that.

Gill, found nude on his bed, had been stabbed numerous times and his throat cut according to Sgt. Dillard of the Chicago Police. He had been gagged with a white handkerchief and his hands tied with a multicolored tie.

Sgt. Dillard said a butcher knife, believed used in the murder, was found on the bed.

Police said a television set was missing from the apartment and described Gill as being in the habit of leaving his door unlocked.

Gill was raised on Logansport's west side. His father was a railroader.

Gill, a retired United States Steel employee, was born June 22, 1909, in Bradford, Ohio, the son of Clarence E. and Elma Jones Gill.

The retired World War II Navy veteran was a member of the American Legion and past commander of the Woodlawn Post in Chicago.

His wife, Jeannette, died in 1954.

Surviving are one son, Charles, Jr., Chicago; four brothers, Faye E., 215 Eighth St.; Joseph, 601 Wilkinson St.; Clyde C., Detroit, Mich.; and Merrill R., Sister Lakes, Mich; four sisters, Mrs. Jessie Orr, Hollywood, Fla; Mrs. Lucille Ross, Marathon, Fla; Mrs Ermina Bennett, Calumet City, III; and Mrs. Margaret Daggett, LaGrange Park, III; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services, under the auspices of the American Legion will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Kroeger Funeral Home.

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