

## Frank O. Stangel



Services will be Wednesday for Frank O. Stangel, 69 known as the “father of driver education of the Milwaukee Public Schools.” He was dead on arrival at County General Hospital after suffering a heart attack Saturday.

Stangel was born in Tisch Mills, Wis., and was graduated from Two Rivers High School in 1921.

He received a bachelor degree in physical education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1930 and a master’s degree from the same university in 1947.

Stangel, who lived at 2909 N. 77<sup>th</sup> St., had a 46 year career in physical education.

From 1923-1930, he was a physical education instructor and coach at Oak Park High School, Ill. In 1930 he became coach at North Division High School, and then spent a year as supervisor of health and physical education in Milwaukee.

From 1931 to 1947, Stangel served as health co-ordinator of the Milwaukee Public Schools. He became the director of safety of the public schools in 1947 and served in that capacity until 1954.

In 1954 he started the driver education program which he continued until his retirement in 1969.

Stangel was president of the Wisconsin Health and Physical Education Association in 1941. In 1950, he was elected president of the Wisconsin State Health Council, and from 1962 to 1964, he was president of the Driver and Safety association. In 1956 he

was secretary of the school and college section of the National Safety Council.

He was a member of the Milwaukee Safety Commission, and contributed articles on health, physical education and safety for various education magazines including the National School Board Journal, National Safety Council Projects and Civil defense and Fire Safety Education.

In 1958, he started the first driver’s education simulator in Milwaukee. He belonged to Phi Epsilon Kappa, and the Holy Name Society and the Ushers Society of Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 6924 W. Lisbon Ave.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret; three sons, Peter, Timothy and Andrew; and a daughter, Holly, all in Milwaukee, and a sister, Mrs. Joseph (Mary) Kries, Manitowoc.

Services will be at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at Franzen Jung Kaufmann & Weiland Funeral Home, 4211 N. 76<sup>th</sup> St., and at 10 a.m. at Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Church. The body will be at the funeral home from 4 to 9 p.m. Tuesday with a vigil at 8 p.m. Burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery.