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Bernard C. Gavit Dies, Former Law Dean

Bernard C. Gavit, 60, former dean of the School of Law, died January 16 at his home after an illness of several days.

Death resulted from a heart attack. He had returned to his home from the Bloomington Hospital two days previously.

Dean Gavit, a native of Saginaw, Mich., was dean of the School of Law from 1933 to 1951, and had been a member of the faculty since he retired as dean.

He attended Hammond public schools and was a graduate of Wabash College and the University of Chicago Law School.

Mr. Gavit became assistant professor of law at the University of Oregon in 1928 and came to Indiana University as law professor in 1929.

During World War II he was on leave from Indiana University for one year to serve as general counsel for the War Manpower Commission in Washington, D.C.

Dean Gavit held honorary doctor of laws degrees from Wabash College and Washington College of Law.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Bloomington.

Bernard C. Gavit



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