Burial Rites Today For Merritt Bell

Funeral services for Bryant Merritt Bell, 64, Pensacola businessman who died Thursday of a heart attack, will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday in the chapel of McNeil Funeral Home. The Rev. Van B Davis will officiate.

A native and life-long resident of Pensacola, Mr. Bell was owner of Merchants Paper Co.

He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bell of Pensacola.

Mr. Bell was a member of the Rotary Club, the Pensacola Country Club, Revellers of Ariola and a veteran of World War I.

He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church.

He is survived by four sisters, Mrs. Leona B. Monroe, Miss Clara Bell, Miss Adelaide Bell and Mrs. F. H. Gage, all of Pensacola; and a brother, Lucius W. Bell, Pensacola, and other relatives.

Honorary pallbearers will be Fred Zirkelbach, Ralph McLane, Joseph Roe, George S. Brent, Thomas W. Brent, Harry Rose, Col. Will B. Wright, Arthur Pockrus, Tom S. Kennedy Sr., Comdr. Troy Thweatt, Dr. W. C. Payne Sr., Wm. M. McClellan, Harry P. Ferriss, Dr. A. M. Ames, Lucius Brown, Ed Peake Sr., and Walter Harberson.

Active pallbearers will be Newton Ray, Chris Zirkelbach, George Yarbrough Jr., Ed Lee, Dr. Newman McLane, E. Swaine, J. T. Baillies, and Walter Tregoning.

Burial will be in St. Johns cemetery with McNeil Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.