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Martha Faye Merriman Dies on Saturday

23-Year-Old Blue Creek Township Girl Dies After Long Illness

Miss Martha Faye Merriman, aged 23, died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Merriman in Blue Creek Township, at 10:15 o'clock Saturday forenoon. Miss Merriman had been ill for more than five years, suffering from dropsy and heart disease.

Miss Merriman's condition did not become critical until Friday. Previous to that time, she was up most of the time, but Friday she became much worse. She suffered intensely during the last 36 hours of her life.

Born in Blue Creek Township on Feb. 22, 1914, Miss Merriman was a daughter of J. Frank and Jennie Sipe Merriman. She was well known throughout the township and has a large list of friends who mourn her early departure.

At her death, she was 23 years and 11 months old. According to her parents, Miss Merriman died exactly at the same hour she was born, 23 years and 11 months ago.

Surviving are the parents, three brothers and one sister. The brothers are Leo Merriman, Blue Creek Twp.; Dewitt Merriman, Muncie; Arthur Merriman of Bethany, Okla., and the only sister is Mrs. Levi (Mabel) Amstutz of Geneva R.R. One sister Florence Isabel, proceeded many years ago. The one brother, Arthur, left for Oklahoma less than three weeks ago where he is studying for the ministry.

Miss Merriman was a member of the Mount Hope Nazarene Church. The funeral was held this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the home and at 2 o'clock at the church, Rev. Pierce officiating. Burial was in Mount Hope Cemetery.