

DECATUR YOUTHS KILLED IN CRASH

DECATUR, Ind. - Funeral services will be held Tuesday for two Belmont High School track stars who were killed about 8 a.m. Saturday when their small automobile was hit by a truck in Preble, Ind., about five miles west of here.

Rites for Stewart Bieberich, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Bieberich, will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Zwick's Funeral Home and in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Preble. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Services for Charles Durr, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman D. Durr, will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Winteregg-Linn Funeral Home. Interment will be in the Decatur cemetery.

At the time of the accident the two prominent Belmont students, were en route to the school where the cross country team was to be transported to South Side High School in Fort Wayne for a competitive meet.

Sheriff Roger Singleton of Adams county said the Volkswagon driven by Durr turned off County Road 400 West onto U.S. 224 and was struck by a small truck driven by Tom Ruble, 36, of Rt. 2, Monroeville, Ind.

The truck was occupied by several construction workers of the T & R Construction Co. of Monroeville, who were en route to a job.

The traffic accident occurred in front of the home of Bieberich's grandmother, Mrs. Clara Ewell, who called an ambulance. Durr's father heard the crash and ran to the accident, a short distance from his home.

Bieberich, a merit scholar, was treasurer of his Senior Class, a nominee for Fall Homecoming King and a member of the German Club. He just recently completed a highly-competitive nine-week trip to Germany as part of the Indiana University Language Honors program. Bieberich was a member of the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Preble and the church's Walther League.

Durr was also a member of Belmont High School basketball and baseball teams.