

CRASH INJURIES FATAL TO OHIO CITY AREA MAN

Injuries sustained in a truck-car crash Feb. 1, about 3.5 miles east of Decatur, were fatal to Donald Kitson, 25, of Rt. 2, Ohio City, Harrison Township farmer.

Mr. Kitson died about 9:50 a.m. Sunday in the Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

The victim sustained a fractured neck, fractures of both arms and other injuries when his auto collided with two trucks.

Indiana authorities reported that Kitson was eastbound when his car struck the rear of a truck operated by Phillip Erxleben, 21, of Decatur.

Kitson's auto then swerved into the westbound lane and collided with a semi-trailer outfit driven by Ellsworth Davis, 37, of Pompano Beach, Fla. Neither trucker was injured.

The body has been removed to the Zwick Funeral Home in Decatur where friends may call after 7 o'clock tonight. The Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Decatur and burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Mr. Kitson was born October 20, 1942, in Decatur, the son of the late Anthony and Katherine (Brown) Kitson. He was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus at Decatur.

Surviving are his widow, the former Linda Hamrick, whom he married Sept. 2, 1967; a brother, James, of Rt. 2, Ohio City, and a sister, Mrs. Steven (Jean) Smith of Decatur area.

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