

KENNETH DALE GAUSE IS CRUSHED TO DEATH LATE FRIDAY NIGHT AS TRUCK AND AUTO SIDESWIPED.

ADAMS COUNTY YOUTH IS INSTANTLY KILLED IN CRASH NEAR WALKERTON AT MIDNIGHT. HITS EMBANKMENT.

KENNETH DALE GAUSE, AGE 22 WELL KNOWN YOUTH OF NEAR DECATUR, WAS INSTANTLY KILLED LAST NIGHT WHEN HE WAS CRUSHED IN THE CAB OF AN OIM TRUCK IN AN ACCIDENT 3 MILES WEST OF WALKERTON ON FEDERAL RD 6 IN LAPORTE COUNTY.

RELATIVES AND PARENTS HERE RECEIVED WORD OF THE ACCIDENT EARLY THIS MORNING.

THE TRUCK, OWNED BY THE INDIANA-OHIO-MICHIGAN TRANSIT COMPANY OF FORT WAYNE, GAUSE'S EMPLOYERS. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION FROM THE WRECK SCENE, (Gause) 1ST SIDE-SWIPED A PASSENGER CAR, DRIVEN BY GEORGE CRK 23 OF RT 4, LAPORTE. AFTER SIDE-SWIPING THE CAR, GAUSE'S TRUCK CRUSHED INTO THE EMBANKMENT OF THE BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD, WHICH RUNS PARALLELED WITH THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY. A LOAD OF STEEL, WHICH THE TRUCK WAS CARRYING SURGED FORWARD FROM THE IMPACT OF THE CRASH AND TORE THROUGH THE CAB OF THE VEHICLE CRUSHING GAUSE. HE DIED IMMEDIATELY, HIS BODY CRUSHED TO A PULP, REPORTS FROM THE SCENE STATED.

THE VICTIM WAS THE SON OF MR & MRS CECIL GAUSE OF 1 MILE EAST OF THE CITY. HE AND ANOTHER BROTHER PAUL CECIL JR WERE BOTH EMPLOYED BY THE OIM COMPANY OF FORT WAYNE.

KENNETH A FORMER GARAGE EMPLOYEE WAS POPULARLY KNOWN AMONG HIS FRIENDS AS "BEANS". HE WAS BORN IN WHITLEY COUNTY ON 11-29-1918, THE SON OF CECIL & VERA DRAPER-GAUSE. THE FAMILY MOVED HERE WHEN E WAS A CHILD.

SURVIVING BESIDES THE PARENTS AND THE BROTHER PAUL, ARE 2 SISTERS, MRS HARRY H (MILDRED M) HEBBLE SR, AND MRS WALTER (PATRICIA) BIENZ.

FUNERAL SERVICES WILL BE HELD TUESDAY AFTERNOON AT 1:30 PM. AT THE RESIDENCE AND AT 2:00 AT THE 1ST EVANGELICAL CHURCH. REV GEORGE S LOZIER OFFICIATING, ASSISTED BY REV G T ROSELOT. BURIAL WILL BE IN THE DECATUR CEMETERY.

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