

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the relatives, neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy shown at the death of my son. Especially do I thank Rev. C. H. Evans for his comforting words, the Masonic Lodge for their service, the businessmen, Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Ward, and all those who sent beautiful floral offerings. They will always be remembered.

Mrs. Gertrude Hawkins

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TWO TRAGIC DEATHS

Two very sudden and tragic deaths occurred the past week—the drowning of Elwin Beach, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Beach of Kalamo township, in the river at Battle Creek, about ten o'clock Wednesday night, April 26th; and the death of Wade Hawkins, 50, son of Mrs. Gertrude Hawkins, in his barn on the Hawkins farm, one mile east of the Village. While the date of his death is recorded as Sunday a. m., it may have been Saturday night when he went to his barn to do the chores. He was found about 2:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon lying on the hay where he had suffered a heart attack, and the body was removed to the Ward Funeral Home. Wade was employed at the Motor Wheel in Lansing, but had been having the flu so unable to work, but was better. He took his suppers with his mother in the Village, but did not come Saturday night.

Elwin Beach, with his father, his brother-in-law, Edwin Ainsworth, and another man were on the river spearing fish and their boat struck a stump and overturned. The water was not deep but the current was swift and it was with great difficulty that the others were able to cling to tree limbs and were saved. It was twenty-six hours before his body was recovered. Eight boats were in the searching party. K. K. Ward was notified and Elwin's body was brought here.

The bereaved ones have the sympathy of all.

returned to the several counties as follows:

Sixty-five per cent thereof in the same proportion local road system of each county bears to the total systems of the state;

Thirty-five per cent thereof in the same proportion of incorporated municipalities in each county bears to the incorporated municipalities in all of the counties of the state wide federal census preceding said distribution.

A. C. GRIMES PASSED AWAY THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1944

Word was received by Jay Grimes of Charlotte that his brother, A. C. Grimes, passed away very suddenly last Thursday morning, April 27th, while on his way to his work in Boston, having suffered a heart attack. The funeral was held Saturday with burial there in the East. Curtis was one of the first class of seven pupils of Vermontville school to receive diplomas. He was valedictorian of the class of 1889. His Vermontville relatives and friends are sorry to hear of the passing of one whose life has been so full of useful service.

Arthur E. McCrimmon

VERMONTVILLE—Arthur E. McCrimmon, 80, a R. 1, Vermontville farmer, died Monday at a Charlotte hospital. He had been a Vermontville area resident for 27 years. He is survived by his wife, Pearl; four sons, Roy of Charlotte, Clifford of Lansing, Calvin of Dowling and Kenneth of Vermontville; a daughter, Mrs. Joe Vliek of Nashville; 22 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; three brothers, Ernest, Roy and Charles, all of Marion; two sisters, Mrs. John Robinson of Marion and Mrs. Velma Sneary of Lansing. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Vogt Funeral Home, Vermontville. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Vermontville.

AREA DEATHS

Earl H. Wells

CHARLOTTE—Earl H. Wells, 73, Chester Township farmer, died Monday at Hayes-Green-Beach Hospital. He was a lifelong Chester Township resident. He is survived by his wife, Lydia; four daughters, Mrs. Bert Shurlock of Nashville, Mrs. Jack Laurie of Washington, Mrs. Ned Love of Charlotte, Kikendall, both of Charlotte; four sons, Harold, George, Boyden and Richard, all of Charlotte; 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Pray Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Gresham Cemetery.