

## Companions Make Futile Rescue Try

**Donald R. Millisor  
Seized By Cramp  
In Evans Quarry**

Donald R. Millisor Jr., 17, of 375 Milburn avenue drowned in Evans Quarry, a mile north of Marion, at 5 p. m. yesterday.

He was a recruit in Co. C of the 166th Infantry Combat Team, Marion's National Guard unit. He had returned to Marion Sunday after two weeks training with the Guard at Camp Atterbury, Ind. He was the son of Donald R. Millisor of the Milburn avenue address and Mrs. Martha Simpkins of Woodlawn Addition.

Three smaller boys who accompanied him to the quarry to swim said he had just removed his clothes and jumped into the icy eight-foot-deep quarry pool when he was apparently seized by cramps, struggled to save himself, weakened and drowned.

His companions, Jimmy James, aged 12, and his brother, Harley James, 14, of 369 Milburn avenue, and Glendon Kight, 14, of Thompson street, tried vainly to rescue their friend.

Seeing his struggles they linked their belts together to form a lifeline and threw it to him but he was too weak to grasp it and save himself, they said.

Sheriff Retterer was notified of the accident by residents of the area and rushed to the scene with rescue equipment accompanied by his deputies. Upon arrival they saw the boy's body lying on the bottom of the quarry in eight feet of water.

### **Trooper Rescues Body**

State Patrolman Paul Wolfe arrived at about the same time. A skilled swimmer, he was loaned a pair of swim trunks by a bystander, dived into the water and recovered the body's body.

The large quarry where the youth drowned is just across the C. & O. tracks from the old city dump. It was abandoned many years ago. The pool in which the youth drowned is north of Fairground street and east of Fountain street near the C. & O. Railroad tracks just north of the old Marion Stone Company quarry. It is part of a maze of old quarries in the area, the largest of which are the long abandoned Kelley's Island quarry and the Evans quarry.

The boy's body was removed to the Schaffner-Denzer Funeral Home.

### **Native of Marion**

The drowning victim was born in Marion July 29, 1933, the son of Donald R. and Martha Bradey Millisor. He attended Central Junior High School before his enlistment in the National Guard.

Besides his parents he is also survived by three sisters: Miss Alice Shirley Millisor, Miss Joan Marie Millisor and Miss Patsy Lee Millisor, all at home.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2 p. m. at the Schaffner-Denzer Funeral Home. Rev. James W. Hodges of First Wesleyan Methodist Church will officiate. Co. C, 166th Infantry Combat Team will perform military ceremonies. Friends may call at the Millisor home after 7:30 tonight and until 10 a. m. Thursday, and at the funeral home from 11 a. m. Thursday until the time of the funeral.

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