

## BOY LOSES HIS LIFE IN OLD QUARRY HOLE

EUGENE ARTHUR KELLER, 14,  
DROWNS IN SIGHT OF  
COMPANION

### POLICE RECOVER BODY

The hottest day of the year brought the second accidental drowning yesterday when Eugene Arthur Keller, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Christian P. Keller, York R. D. 6, lost his life in an old quarry about two miles from his home.

Eight days ago Robert L. Weaver 15, York R. D. 9, drowned in a farm pond on the property of Michael Dietz, York R. D. 3, when he fell from a boat.

Only witness to yesterday afternoon's tragedy was the victim's companion, Glen Seidenstricker, 16, also of York R. D. 6, who told state police and Deputy Coroner Philip R. Ness that he made several futile attempts to save the boy's life.

According to young Seidenstricker, the two youths had been bicycle riding and hiking before coming onto the old quarry, which is located on the farm of Beauchamp Smith, about a mile west of the WORK transmitter station, York R. D. 6.

Seidenstricker said young Keller decided to wade in the quarry water to cool off. In doing so he accidentally walked off the edge of a ledge and fell into deep water. His body was recovered by state police in about 15 to 20 feet of water about two hours later.

Seidenstricker said he tried to reach his companion, who struggled to the surface three times, but Keller was out in the water too far. Seidenstricker then returned to his home, where police were called. The body was recovered about 5 p. m. with the use of grappling hooks. It was reported that neither boy could swim.

Dr. Lewis C. Herrold, Dover, pronounced the youth dead.

Besides his parents, young Keller is survived by two brothers, Raymond and Richard, at home; three sisters, Mrs. Charles Wildasin, Spring Grove, R. D. 1; Mrs. Emanuel Boner, 1298 1-2 West Princess street, and Anna M. Keller at home; and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brenneman, 1454 Monroe street.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 10 a. m. at Max G. Anstine Funeral Home, 1701 West Market street. The Rev. J. Bruce Weaver, Lutheran pastor of Wolf's Union Church, will officiate. Interment will be in Wolf's Cemetery.

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