

Man, 24, Drowns In Area Quarry

A 24-year-old southern York county man drowned Saturday in an abandoned quarry at Delta where he was swimming with friends.

The victim was Ernest Robert Barrett, of Delta RD 1.

Deputy Coroner Philip R. Ness, who listed the death as accidental, said Barrett was swimming with Mr. and Mrs. William Grafton, Delta, in the Stasso Milling company quarry when he disappeared in 20 feet of water at 4:50 p.m.

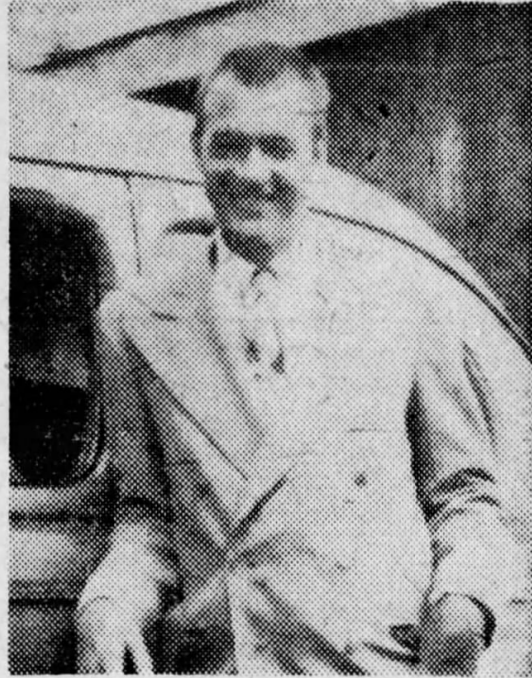
When he did not reappear Mrs. Grafton summoned Delta firemen who recovered the body an hour later with the aid of grappling hooks.

Efforts to revive the victim failed.

Ness said Barrett was consider-
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ed a good swimmer. Mr. and Mrs. Grafton, who could not swim, were bathing on an incline at the water's edge.

State Policeman Alfred J. Corkran assisted in the investigation.

Barrett is survived by his parents, William and Clarabell Rhoades Barrett, Delta RD 1; a half brother, Charles Barrett, also of Delta RD 1, and two half sisters, Mary Belle Barrett, St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Rosie Sabounsy, Baltimore.

He was employed at the Smith-Walters Blue Ridge Summit Flooring company, Darlington, Md.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow at the home of an aunt, Estella Rhoades, Slate Hill, near Delta. Interment will be in Slate Ridge cemetery, Delta.

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