

Phillip Ray Perry

Occupant Name: Phillip Ray Perry

Location: Section Z, Lot 19

Date of Birth: 12/3/1950

Date of Death: 1/20/1972

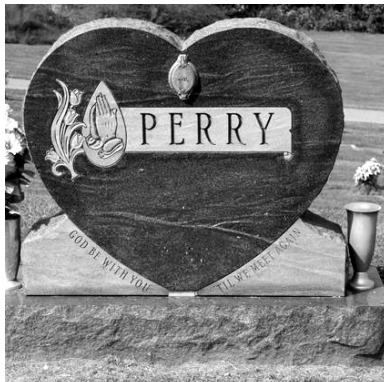
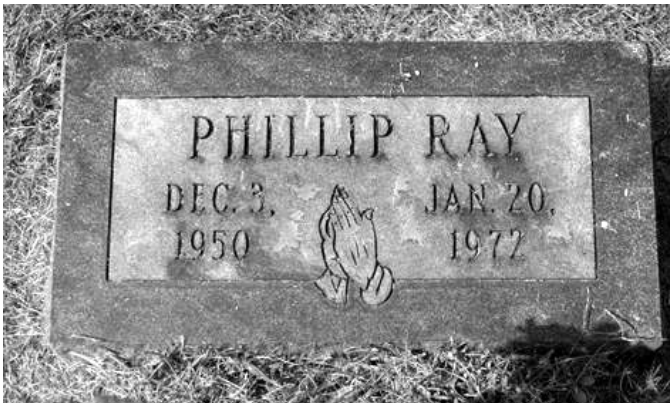
Date of Burial: 1/24/1972

Veteran: No

Lot Owner: Phil Perry

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:



Rites Sunday For B'town Gunshot Victim

**Phillip Ray Perry Killed
Thursday Night By Gun
Held By Medora Man—
No Charges Filed To Date.**

Funeral rites were held Sunday afternoon from the Brownstown Presbyterian Church for 21-year-old Phillip Ray Perry, a bridegroom of only a little more than a month, killed the previous Thursday night when struck in the chest by a blast from a 12-gauge shotgun held by Larry J. Ross, 26, of Medora R1.

To date no charges have been filed against Ross.

According to authorities the shooting occurred shortly after 11:30 o'clock Thursday night on County Road 450 North, just west of the Airport Road.

State Police said Ross, with Perry a passenger, was driving east on U.S. 50 when, reportedly he passed a car driven by Roger L. Wright, of Seymour, with Howard W. Halbedel, also of Seymour a passenger.

The two cars passed each other several times until Ross turned right onto the county road, blocking the road with his automobile and the Wright car, in pursuit, stopped to the left rear of the Ross automobile.

According to information obtained by the State Police investigating officers Ross got out of the car with a 12-gauge shotgun in his hand, and Perry reportedly followed him with an empty soft drink bottle.

The two men went to the driver's side of the Wright car, words were exchanged and Ross reportedly struck Wright on the head with the butt of the shotgun, which discharged, the blast striking Perry in the heart.

He was pronounced dead upon arrival at the Jackson County Hospital.

Still investigating the incident are Indiana State Trooper Richard Acton, Detective Sergeant James C. Blevins, Sgt. Charles Mead, of the Charles-town State Police Post, and Jackson County Coroner Keith Burkholder.

Informed sources believe some action will be taken early next week in the case.

PERRY MARRIED

LAST DECEMBER 17

Mr. Perry, who was married on December 17, last year, to Ethel Rose Warinner, who survives, was a son of Cecil and Geneva Arnold Perry, and was born in Jackson County on December 3, 1950.

He attended Brownstown Central High School and was employed with his father at the Brownstown Marathon Service Station and was a member of the Brownstown Presbyterian Church.

Surviving, in addition to the widow and parents, are the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Arnold, of Brownstown, his parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Warinner, Sr., of Crothersville; two brothers, Cecil Perry, Jr., of Seymour, and Lowell Eugene Perry, of Fort Ritner, and three sisters, Mrs. Vernon (Geneva Sue) Taylor, Mrs. Richard (Connie) Myers, and Miss Jane Perry, all of Brownstown.

The Rev. Robert Reid, pastor of the Brownstown Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. James Capps, pastor of the Crothersville Presbyterian Church, were in charge of the funeral rites.

Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Brownstown, under the direction of the Spurgeon Funeral Home.