

# Ben Rechter

Occupant Name: Ben Rechter

Location: Section 2, Lot 35

Date of Birth: 1914

Date of Death: 1951

Date of Burial: 1951

Veteran: No

Lot Owner: Ben Rechter

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:

## Burial Rites Held Here Friday For Plane Crash Victim

Ben Rechter, 37, of Bloomington, And Former Brownstown Resident, One Of Three Killed When Aircraft Falls Into Ohio River.

Burial rites for Ben Rechter, 37, of Bloomington, formerly of Brownstown, were conducted at five o'clock Friday afternoon at Fairview cemetery. Services had been held at Bloomington at three o'clock at the Greene and Harrell Chapel.

One of three victims of a plane crash, Mr. Rechter met his death when the plane apparently exploded in mid-air and dove into the Ohio river at Tobsinsport, Ind., about 55 miles southwest of Louisville shortly after noon last Wednesday.

Other victims were Charles B. Woodburn, 36, the pilot, who was operator of the Munn Flying Service, Bloomington, and J. P. Backer, also of Bloomington, manager of a wholesale lumber company there. They were enroute to Meridian, Miss., on a business trip. The bodies of Rechter and Woodburn were recovered Thursday morning. The

plane belonged to the Ralph Rogers Construction Co.

Mr. Rechter, part owner and Indiana manager of the vast Ralph Rogers Construction Company, came to Bloomington in 1935 to manage the Bloomington office of the U. S. Forest Service. In 1936 he was married to Miss Helen Rogers, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rogers. Mr. and Mrs. Rechter lived in Bedford a short time and then moved to Brownstown, making their home here until 1938 when they returned to Bedford where they lived until May, 1939.

At that time Mr. Rechter joined the Rogers company and was part owner and Indiana manager of the big road construction company, which has since expanded extensively.

In addition to his widow, he is survived by his father, Sam Rechter, Rochester, N. Y., twin sons, Benny and Sammy, another son, Ricky, and a daughter, Patty; two sisters, Mrs. Stanley A. Jorre and Miss Ruth Rechter, both of Rochester, N. Y.

The Rechters made many friends in this community while they lived here.

