

# Virgil R. Thompson

Occupant Name: Virgil R. Thompson

Location: **Section O, Lot 7**

Date of Birth: 3/21/1891

Date of Death: 11/23/1922

Date of Burial: 11/26/1922

Veteran: No

Lot Owner: Hutchinson Sturgeon

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:



## VIRGIL THOMPSON KILLED IN CROSSING ACCIDENT

Was Son Of Mr. And Mrs. Thomas D. Thompson, Formerly Of Grassy Fork Township.

### CRASH HAPPENED AT RUSHVILLE

Virgil Thompson, age 31, of Rushville, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Thompson, formerly lived in Grassy Fork township, was fatally injured about 11:30 o'clock Wednesday night when an enclosed car in which he was riding, was struck by a fast westbound C. I. & W. train in Rushville. He died shortly before three o'clock Thursday morning at the hospital where he was taken. Although his entire left side was crushed he remained conscious until he died. Harry Smith, who was riding with him, was also injured but will recover. The car was demolished.

The train which struck them was about forty minutes late and the men told later that they thought that it had passed at its regular time. The car was carried about one hundred yards. Thompson was carried with the car this distance and was then thrown against a telephone pole. The train was traveling about sixty miles an hour. This is the seventh death as a result of accidents on this crossing.

Thompson remained conscious and gave the attendants the correct street address and telephone number of his father who lives in Gary, telling them not to call him unless he was seriously injured.

Thompson was the owner of a garage in Rushville where he has the agency for five different makes of cars. Harry Smith was employed as a salesman.

Virgil Thompson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Thompson, who were well known in this county. His mother, who has been dead about twenty years, was a sister of Mrs. Chas. F. Robertson, of Brownstown.

He is survived by his father, who is engaged in railroad Y. M. C. A. work in Gary. The funeral services were held here Friday at the home of Mrs. Shannon Gray, followed by burial in Fairview cemetery.