

Alvin Edwin Pagel

June 18, 1917 – 1926

An unusual affliction of the throat, the nature of which was such that several physicians were unable to bring relief, resulted in the death of Alvin Edwin Pagel, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Pagel, Jr. of Mt. Pleasant township, at 8:30 o'clock last Thursday evening. His condition was not regarded as serious until a few days before the end, although he had been ill for a period of six weeks, The end came unexpectedly and was not only a severe shock to the bereaved and sorrowing parents, but to many intimate friends as well. The disease with which he was afflicted is designated in medical terms as leukemia.

Alvin was born in Mt. Pleasant township on June 18, 1917, and was 9 years, 5 months and 21 days old at the time of his death. He was an unusually bright youth and a manly little fellow who was well liked by all who knew him. He attended the Babler school. He was an apt and exemplary scholar and a general favorite among the pupils of the school, where his presence will be sadly missed. He was also an esteemed pupil of the Reformed Sunday school.

Besides the grief-stricken parents, who have the sympathy of all in their great affliction, he is survived by a younger sister, Dorothy.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 1:30 at the home and at 2 o'clock at the Reformed church, with Rev. Muehlmeier officiating. Burial was in Highland cemetery. Miss Nona Babler, and all of the pupils attended the last rites in a body.