

Wilbert C. Riese

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Wilbert C. Riese, 2, Passes; Rites Held Infant Passes Away After Operation for Ruptured Appendix

Death made a very untimely appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riese, of this village, when their son, Wilbert Clarence, was suddenly taken from his loved ones at 3:30 Saturday morning, his death taking place in the Deaconess hospital, Monroe.

The youngster, a child of less than three years of age, suffered from a ruptured appendix. He submitted to an operation the day before death struck but all medical skill available failed to aid him in his losing fight for life. At this tender age of less than three years this game little fellow, an innocent little chap who was just beginning to enjoy the wonderful, freedom of a youngster, fought to the last—not knowing what was taking place.

He is survived by his bereaved parents, one brother, Edward Algot, his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wallom, Monticello, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Riese, Monroe, and a great grandmother, Mrs. Sybilla Riese, Monroe.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 Monday afternoon and at 2 in the Monticello Evangelical church. Rev. W. G. Schulz, church pastor, conducted the sad, final rites. Interment was in Highland cemetery.

The funeral procession was indeed a sad spectacle, with four little boys, all youngsters with whom Wilbert would some day have played about in his home community, carrying the little body to its final resting place.