Herman Robert Stauffer March 27, 1914 – October 1938

Herman R. Stauffer Is Summoned; Final Burial Rites Today Grim Reaper Claims Well Known Mt. Pleasant Native

Herman Robert Stauffer, 24 years of age, Mt. Pleasant township, passed away at about 8 o'clock Monday morning in the Madison General hospital, after having suffered from heart trouble and a nervous breakdown. He had been in ill health during the greater part of the past summer.

Herman suffered a nervous breakdown recently, and this condition, combined with his general condition, resulted in his untimely death.

A Severe Shock

The sudden and unexpected death of Herman came as a severe shock to his many friends in Monticello and vicinity, few of whom knew of his condition of late. Through his association with the Monticello school bands and other musical groups he had established an unusually large friendship.

Native of Mt. Pleasant

Herman Stauffer was born in Mt. Pleasant township March 27, 1914, the son of Robt. and Rose Elmer Stauffer. He received his early education at the Silver school and later attended the Monticello high school, graduating with the class of 1932. One year later he graduated from the Green County Normal, Monroe, and last year he attended a drummer's course in Milwaukee. He spent most of his life in Mt. Pleasant township, assisting his father with the farm work.

Expert Drummer

Herman developed into an expert bass drummer while a student of the local high school and for several years was a member of the school band. His knowledge of bass and snare drums made him the target for counsel by younger drummers. He was possessed of an unusually generous disposition and was always ready and willing to help younger drum artists with their troubles. Herman was also a member of the Rhythm Rascals orchestra, a group of young musicians who formerly played in Monticello. He was a member of the National Association of Rudimental Drummers.

He was a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church and was confirmed in 1929.

He is survived by his father, a brother, Wilbert Stauffer, who is a member of the United States Navy band, Washington, D. C., and four sisters, Mrs. Harvey Milbrandt and Mrs. Ernest Robert, Jr., Mt. Pleasant township, Mrs, Milton Brecklien, Sylvester township, and Helen Stauffer, at home. His mother passed away Aug. 29, 1929.

Funeral services will be held this (Thursday) afternoon at 1:30 at the home of his father and at 2 in the Zwingli church. Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, church pastor, will officiate. Pallbearers will be members of the orchestra with which he formerly played. Interment will be in Highland cemetery.