

[Billington, Robert]

FORMER FORT PLAIN MAN, COMPANION KILLED

A former Fort Plain man and his passenger were fatally injured Saturday afternoon, after the auto in which they were riding was involved in a head-on crash on Route 32 at Newburgh.

Robert Billington, 29, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Billington of Fort Plain died Saturday from injuries sustained in a two car crash in the Town of Newburgh. His passenger Elizabeth Germaine, 33, of Wallkill, N.Y., near Newburgh was also killed. Billington suffered a fractured skull and internal injuries.

The crash occurred at 3:40 p.m. Saturday while the couple were driving south on Route 32, near Fostertown Road when another auto rounded a curve, continuing on the wrong side of the highway, colliding with the Billington auto.

Billington resided in Wallkill, and was employed by Bob's Pharmacy in Poughkeepsie.

Mr. Billington was born in Amsterdam on May 11, 1938, the son of Harold and Madoline Frederick Billington of Fort Plain. He graduated from the Fort Plain Central School and from the Albany School of Pharmacy in 1961.

On July 16, 1961, he was married to the former Lois Cassidy of Newburgh and had resided in that city since that time. His address was 125 Wisner Ave., Newburgh. Mr. Billington was a member of the Universalist Church of the Messiah in Fort Plain.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons at home, Jeffrey and Richard; his mother, Mrs. Harold Billington, Fort Plain, and one brother, Richard Billington, Nelliston.

Services will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the Perrott Funeral Home in Newburgh, with a graveside service to be conducted on Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Fort Plain Cemetery, with the Rev. Raymond M. Scott, pastor of the Universalist Church of the Messiah, officiating.

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