[Herringshaw, Harry William]

Funeral Services Set Tuesday for Canajoharie Infant Killed in Otsego County Auto Mishap

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon for 10-month-old Harry William Herringshaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Herringshaw, of Canajoharie R.D., who was killed Friday in an automobile accident in Otsego County.

The accident occurred about one-half mile from the Route 20 cloverleaf on the Cherry Valley-Sprout Brook highway (Route 166). The infant sustained a fractured skull and was dead on arrival at Imogene Bassett Memorial Hospital, in Cooperstown.

Parents in Fair Condition

His father is in fair condition at the hospital, suffering from fractures of the facial bones and chest injuries. Viola, his wife, sustained face cuts and bruises and is also in fair condition.

According to State Police from the Richfield Springs sub-station, the car was heading north at the time of the crash. When Herringshaw attempted a left turn, the vehicle went off the left side of the road and traveled for 63 feet, coming to rest on its side.

Herringshaw told police he must have fallen asleep, adding that he was traveling at 40 miles an hour at the time of the crash. The accident occurred about 11:45 p.m.

Trapped in Vehicle

After treatment at the scene by a Cherry Valley physician, Mrs. Herringshaw and the infant were taken to the hospital. Herringshaw was trapped in the vehicle, the bent steering column pinning his legs to the floor of the car.

Cables were used to raise this section of the vehicle. It took about two hours to free the Canajoharie area resident, who was taken by ambulance to the Cooperstown hospital.

The mishap was investigated by Troopers A. J. Haronec and D. A. Scherp, of Richfield Springs.

Funeral Services

Funeral services for the child will be held tomorrow afternoon at the Herringshaw home, on the Old Sharon Rd., in the Town of Canajoharie. The Rev. James Alcock, pastor of the Fort Plain Universalist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Mapletown Cemetery.

Harry William Herringshaw was born Sept. 5, 1955, in Amsterdam Hospital. Surviving are his parents, one grandfather, William Hoyt, Canajoharie, and several nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

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