

THOBURN DOANE KELSER

Mausoleum, Crypt 22, Tier 1

GPS Coordinates: 82° 56' 10.056" W 40° 7' 13.581" N

YOUTH DIES OF EXPOSURE DURING WAR

LOSES HEALTH FIGHT

**Thoburn D. Kelsner Made Valiant Battle
for Health but Grim Reaper
Overtook Him on Friday**

After a valiant fight for health which endured for more than three years, Thoburn D. Kelsner, 23 year old son of Rev. and Mrs. Milo G. Kelsner, died early Friday morning at the home of his parents, 101 South Grove street. At the outbreak of the World War Thoburn, under age but determined to have a hand in licking the foe, enlisted with the American Red Cross where he served for almost the duration of the war on practically every front, in the Red Cross Ambulance service.

Was Gassed in War

The break in his health is thought to have been due primarily to the fact that he was gassed while in the service, coupled with the nerve racking work incidental to the front lines. He returned from France in apparent health but within a comparatively short time there was a break for the worse. In an effort to regain his health he spent several months in the southwest and returned to his home much better. Believing himself much stronger in the fall he enrolled at Ohio State. This spring he suffered an attack of influenza which, it is believed, hastened his death. He attended the local high school, Otterbein College, Ohio Wesleyan and Ohio State University.

Family Survives

Besides his parents he is survived by three sisters, Lucy, Mary Leona and Marguerite. Funeral services were held from the residence Monday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock, Rev. G. H. Heizer, Rev. Dr. A. M. Courtenay, and Dr. E. H. Cherrington, presiding. Burial was made in Otterbein Cemetery in charge of Keyes & Sammons.

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Born: November 11, 1900
OH

Died: June 13, 1924
Franklin Co, OH

Father: Milo G. Kelsner

Mother: Leona Doane

Spouse: Single

Service: World War I
Red Cross