

# **Allen Walker**

**April 29, 1948 - August 11, 1965**

A 17 year old Joplin youth who died Wednesday night in St. John's hospital from injuries received August 3 was the sixth traffic death in the city this year.

He was Allen Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Winston E. Walker of 1730 Empire Avenue. Young Walker had been in critical condition since the accident which occurred when his foreign model car struck the rear end of a flat bed truck, parked in front of 2427 Indiana Avenue.

Born April 29, 1948 he would have been a member of the senior class at Joplin High School next month.

Young Walker was an Eagle Scout, a member of the Joplin High School stage and marching band, high school debate team, National Forensic League, National Thespean Society, Joplin Key Club and a junior deacon in the South Joplin Christian Church.

He was just recently employed by McDonald's drive-in, having worked for the past two summers at Anderson's Ice Cream Shop.

Surviving besides the parents are a brother, Steve Walker of the home, a sister Martha Lee Walker of the home; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Coral Walker of Lawrence, Kansas and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Stipp of Joplin, route 5.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the South Joplin Christian Church, with the Rev. Charles T. Hudson officiating. The body will be moved from the Parker mortuary to the church at noon Saturday.

Pallbearers will be Tom Berman, Tim Elliott, Mike Huddleston, Charles Kirby, Ronnie Ballard and Gary Boucher. Honorary pallbearers will be the junior deacons of South Joplin Christian Church, members of the National Thespean Society, members of the National Forensic League, members of the Joplin Key Club, and a personal friend, Sam Jones of Miller, Mo.

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