

PFC Harvey Schumann

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Pfc. Harvey Schumann, 624 Sixth street, entered service June 23, 1943. He was with Battery B, 808th field artillery. He was in the Rhineland and central European campaigns. His awards include the victory medal, the American theater ribbon, the ETO ribbon with two bronze stars, two overseas bars and the good conduct medal.

his father who passed away on May 9, 1946. After he came back from service, he brought out his father's barber business and continued until the present. He was an active member of the VFW, and of the Barber's Union. During World War II he served in the Field Artillery in France and Germany.

Surviving are one brother, Gilbert Schumann; two sisters, Misses Mollie and Lillian Schumann all of Oshkosh, a niece, a nephew, aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Marquardt Funeral Home, with the Rev. Edwin Becker officiating. Interment will take place at Lake View Memorial Park. Friends may call at the funeral home, Tuesday afternoon and up to the time of the services.

Returning to Oshkosh early Sunday morning, Blackburn is said to have told police he had driven around the neighborhood until 9 a.m. when the shooting occurred. According to the district attorney, he said he had called to Schumann from his car, either asking him to wait or to come to the car, he was not sure which. He then started across the street and fired three shots.

Questioned at Police Station

Blackburn was taken to the police station for questioning by police and the district attorney who also took statements of witnesses. He was to have been arraigned in municipal court this morning on a charge of first degree murder, the district attorney said. It was later changed to 2 p.m. this afternoon, following a conference with Judge S. J. Luchsinger in his chambers this morning.

A coroner's jury, impanelled by Herbert A. Reiter, undersheriff, viewed the scene of the crime and the remains of the deceased and were excused shortly after noon Sunday until their testimony is called for by the district attorney and Dr. G. A. Steele, county coroner.

Members of the jury were Herbert Wenzlaff, Robert C. Kellett, Harold W. Pederson, Arthur C. Doule, Harry G. Meeleus and John J. Cowling.

Witnesses of the tragedy included Sheryl Meixl, 15, who was in front of her home at 716 Sixth St., with her father, Ben Meixl, waiting for her mother to join them for church. She phoned the police station. Mr. Meixl reported that he called to Blackburn but that Blackburn paid no attention, instead calling Schumann's name and firing.

Near Feet of Pedestrian

Schumann dropped to the street just a few feet in front of Mrs. Jewell Molash, 630 Sixth St., who was walking toward him on her return from church.

Other statements were taken Sunday morning from Bernard Weiner, 926 Sixth St., who was driving east when he saw Blackburn, and from Irwin Dougherty, 524 11th St., who said he had seen Blackburn in his car some distance from the scene of the tragedy earlier in the morning.

Police said Millard, from whom Blackburn borrowed the gun, stated that he had heard Blackburn threaten bodily harm to Schumann on different occasions.

Harvey Alfred Schumann was born Jan. 26, 1909 in Oshkosh, the son of the late Albert and Anna Ulrich Schumann. Graduating from Jefferson School he also attended Oshkosh High school and, with the exception of his time in service, from July 1942 to November 1945, had always been a resident of Oshkosh. Serving his barber apprenticeship under his father, he then attended the Wisconsin Barber School at Milwaukee and, after passing state board examinations, continued to work for

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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <u>SCHUMANN, Harvey A.</u>		STATE <u>WISCONSIN</u>	RANK <u>P.F.C.</u>
DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) <u>Jan. 26, 1909</u>		DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year) <u>May 11, 1952</u>	
NAME OF CEMETERY <u>Lakeview Memorial Park</u>		LOCATION (City and State) <u>Oshkosh, Wisconsin</u>	
SHIP TO (I CERTIFY THE APPLICANT FOR THIS STONE HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH ME TO TRANSPORT THE STONE FROM THE FREIGHT STATION TO THE CEMETERY) <u>Gilbert Schumann</u> (SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE)		U. S. REGIMENT, STATE ORGANIZATION, AND DIVISION <u>Battery B, 808th Field Artillery Bn.</u> <u>FIELD ARTILLERY</u>	
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H. A. Schumann Fatally Wounded By Shotgun Blast

Ronald E. Blackburn Faces Murder Charge

Ronald E. Blackburn, 36, of 40 N. Military Rd., Fond du Lac, was to be brought into municipal court at 2 p.m. today to face a charge of first degree murder in the fatal shooting Sunday of Harvey A. Schumann, 43, of 624 Sixth St., Oshkosh.

He was originally scheduled to appear this morning but action was delayed because of his reportedly nervous condition, Dist. Atty Herbert J. Mueller said.

According to city police, Blackburn shot Schumann in the back in full view of several Mother's Day church goers at about 9 a.m. Sunday, as Schumann was approaching his barber shop at 608 Sixth St. Schumann had just left his residence after making telephone arrangements to be met by his brother for a trip to the cemetery to visit his parents' graves.

Blackburn is reported to have admitted stepping from his parked car on the south side of Sixth Street, walking part way across the street and firing three shots, two of which found their target.

Refuses to Give Reason

Blackburn was still at the scene when police arrived, summoned by spectators of the tragedy. He admitted shooting Schumann with a 12-gauge shotgun he said he had borrowed Saturday night from a brother-in-law, Percy Millard, 12 Bent Ave., police said. He refused to give any reason for the shooting when questioned by Dist. Atty Mueller and Chief of Police William A. Golz.

Police reported he said he had spent part of Saturday evening with his estranged wife at 607 Sixth St., before returning to Fond du Lac where he had been living for the past two weeks. Mrs. Blackburn is the complainant in a divorce action now pending, the district attorney said. She was reported to have denied any association with the dead man although admitting that her husband believed him to be the cause of their marital difficulties. Schumann was divorced early this year.