

# Auto crash takes life of BHS senior

Michael Allen Cummings, a 17-year-old Burlington high school senior, died early Saturday at University hospitals, Iowa City, of apparent head injuries received in a one-car crash in Burlington Friday night.

Cummings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cummings, 1515 Remey, was southbound on Main about 9:30 p.m. when his 1962 Volkswagen went out of control, struck a



*Cummings*

utility pole guy wire and landed on its top about 20 feet from the Main-South street intersection.

Firemen, police and ambulance attendants took about 10 minutes to pry the youth from the demolished vehicle.

*The youth was taken by ambulance to Burlington's Memorial hospital and later transferred to University hospitals, Iowa City, where he died at 2:30 a.m.*

There were no witnesses to the accident. However, the youth's parents told police that their son, a diabetic, had had a history of insulin reaction.

The youth was a member of the First United Presbyterian church, YMCA, Boy Scout Troop 25, Order of the Arrow, a recipient of the Scouting God and Country award, and worked at Younkers in Fairway Center.

He had gotten off work shortly before the accident.

Surviving: The parents; one sister, Terrie Sue, Iowa State university, Ames; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Allen, Winfield and Mrs. Raymond Cummings, Winfield.

Funeral: 2 p.m. Monday, First United Presbyterian church, Rev. James Clark and Roscoe Wolvington; Winfield-Scott township cemetery, Winfield. The body is at Barton-McKasson funeral home, Winfield.

A memorial fund has been established to the American Diabetes Assn.