

[Eva \(Runnion\) Osborne](#)

Obituaries

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Mrs. Merton Osborne Died Here Monday

FORMER BASKETBALL STAR OF S.H.S SUCCUMBS AT HOME OF PARENTS HERE

Mrs. Merton Osborne (nee Eva Runnion) died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Runnion of this city, Monday morning at ten o'clock, death resulting from tuberculosis.

Mrs. Osborne was one of the most popular young ladies in this city and her friends and associates who will greatly miss her, will never forget the many kindnesses shown to them by her when she lived on this earth. Her kind deeds will never be forgotten.

The deceased was married January 5, 1924, to Merton Osborne, of Clendenin, and made her home at Akron, Ohio, until this dreaded disease came into her body and she returned to her home in Spencer. To this union was born one child who lived but a short time.

Mrs. Osborne was a member of the graduating class '23 of Spencer High School and the first of this class to depart from this world to the Great Beyond. She is mourned by her many class mates who for four long years labored so earnestly together for the honors bestowed upon them at the ___ting from that high school. But many class mates will never forget her, never forget the cheerfulness she brought to the class room, of the high respect she had for the class.

She was a member of the Girls Basketball team of Spencer High school and her ability of playing this game was never excelled. It was she who the victory of the school depended. For four years she played on the basketball floor winning both friends and popularity through her clean and respecting playing. She was member of the famous Runnion Quartet, known over the United States for their basketball ability. And now she leaves behind her three sisters to mourn the loss of one who they had so earnestly fought to bring Spencer high school to the front in basketball.

The deceased leaves a great number of friends to mourn her loss and she is survived by the following, her husband, her father and mother, four sisters, Elsie and Geraldine Runnion, and Mrs. W. W. Farmer, of Spencer, and Mrs. Burl Holland, of Akron, Ohio. Another sister, Ethel, preceded her to the grave many years ago.

The Reporter joins in with the many friends expressing their sympathy for the bereaved family.

The funeral services were held at the Methodist Protestant Church Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock with the Reverend G.H. Snyder being in charge and internment made in the Spencer cemetery.

(Eva Esta Osborne passed away on October 15, 1924)

(Submitted by Evelyn Bissell Starcher)