Swimming near his home at Big Cove Tannery, Ayr township, Melvin S. Brady, was drowned on Saturday evening, June 19, 1943.

According to County Coroner Dr. E. H. Mackinlay, who was called around 6 o'clock Saturday evening, Brady had gone to the creek, which was only a short distance from his home, around five o'clock to take a swim. When he failed to return to the house in due time, his sister, Mabel, walked to the place where her brother usually swam and found him lying motionless in the water. She immediately notified other members of the family and summoned the doctor.

Upon arrival, Dr. Mackinlay, with the aid of neighbors removed the body and after artificial respiration efforts failed, he was pronounced dead.

The coroner stated Brady evidently had had a cramp and was unable to save himself. The body was taken to the Kelso Funeral home and prepared for burial.

Born in Ayr township on May 18, 1921, Melvin S. Brady was a son of Wade Brady of Big Cove Tannery. His mother Elizabeth Brady is deceased.

Besides his father, he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Lester Gordon, this county, and Mable Brady at home, and two brothers Milford who is in the armed forces and Mayford at home.

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