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ELISHA AMOS DURBIN IS BURNED TO DEATH

**FUNERAL SERVICES FOR PRYSE
YOUTH HELD TUESDAY AT
RAVENNA CHURCH**

Elisha Amos Durbin, 19, was burned to death Monday morning about 12:15 o'clock when flames destroyed the Durbin home near Pryse. He was sleeping on the second floor and apparently was overcome by smoke.

His mother, Mrs. Pius Durbin, was awakened by the noises of the fire and escaped hurriedly, taking with her another son, Pius Durbin, Jr., 9, who was sleeping with her on the first floor of the building. They were both badly burned.

Other survivors are six sisters, Sister Elizabeth Ann Durbin, of Washington, D. C.; Sister Frances Ann Durbin, of Melbourne; Clara, Mary Sina, Carolyn Louise and Virginia Durbin, all of whom are students at St. Agatha School, of Winchester; another brother, Leo Durbin, of Louisville.

The body was removed to Lewis funeral home where the Rosary was said Monday night. Funeral rites were conducted Tuesday at 9:00 A. M. at St. Elizabeth's Catholic church, Ravenna, by Rev. John P. Werner. Burial was in Cedar Grove cemetery near Pryse.