Identity Of Youth Seen With Slain Teen-Ager Sought

State police yesterday were attempting to learn the identity of a teen-ager who was seen leaving a bowling alley with a John Marshall High School freshman who later was found murdered.

The victim, Robert S. Jackson Jr., 15, the son of Mrs. Mary F. Jackson, 3507 Jerome Court, was found dead in Buck Creek near Cumberland about 4:30 p.m. Monday.

Mrs. Jackson, 44, a widow, revealed yesterday that another of her sons, David Dillard, 18, received a "weird" phone call Tuesday night from a man who said, "I killed your son."

MRS. JACKSON said the caller probably was a crank who thought David was her husband.

State Police Detective Sgt. John M. Petty said the youth being sought was described as 18 or 19 years old, 5 feet, 11-inches tall and weighing about 160 pounds.

A classmate of the victim said he saw the youth talking with Jackson shortly before 9 p.m. Saturday at the Meadows North Eastwood Bowling Lanes, 8939 East 38th Street.

The youth later left the bowling alley with Jackson, the classmate said.

Petty said although he had no evidence linking the youth to the murder, the youth apparently was the last person to see Jackson before he disappeared.

An autopsy revealed that young Jackson had been choked and then drowned. He also had been sexually molested.

"I hope this person is caught," Mrs. Jackson said, "because I hate to think that he could do this awful thing again."

Mrs. Jackson said she believes that the unidentified teen-ager either killed her son or knows who the murderer is.

State police continued to question friends of the victim, but admitted they had no leads.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Harry W. Moore Arlington Chapel, with burial in Washington Park East Cemetery. Friends may call after 3 p.m. today in the funeral home.