

**Henry L. Babler**  
**July 3, 1860 – September 1933**

**Henry L. Babler Dies At Monticello Home At Age of 73 Years**  
**Long Time Resident Passes Away After Long Illness**

Henry L. Babler, aged 73, lifelong resident of Green county and for practically half a century a prominent and esteemed resident of Monticello, passed away at 12:45 Saturday noon at the home of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Florence Babler, with whom he had been making his home for the past few years. While he had been afflicted with stomach trouble more or less for a number of years, his condition was never serious until about six months ago. Since then, due to complications, he had been confined to a chair most of the time, his ailment being of such a nature that he was unable to lie down.

Mr. Babler was born near New Glarus on July 3, 1860, being a son of Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Babler, who were numbered among the early settlers in that section of the county. His marriage to Miss Ursula Marty occurred in New Glarus on March 21, 1882. Two years later the couple moved to this village, and he had since continued to make his home here. Mrs. Babler passed away in a Madison hospital on August 10, 1927, and a son, Henry O. Babler, then cashier of the Bank of Monticello, died there just a week later.

Mr. Babler was engaged in the general blacksmithing and wagon-making business here for a period of 35 years, from 1884 until April 20, 1919, when he sold out to C. M. Stauffer and retired from active business. Mr. Babler not only enjoyed a large and lucrative patronage in these lines, but for many years he increased his volume of business considerably through the sale of carriages and sleighs.

Throughout his long business career Mr. Babler had the confidence and respect not only of his patrons but of the public in general, He believed and practiced the square deal in all of his business transactions. He was a good business man, a fine neighbor and a citizen who was always keenly interested in the advancement of the community in which he lived. Because of his good-natured disposition he was on friendly terms with all of his acquaintances, and no citizen was more widely known throughout this section than was he.

He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. R. H. Schoonover, Monticello, and one son, William E. Babler, Beaver Dam. He also leaves five sisters, Mrs. Henry Kundert, Sr., and Mrs. Matt Zentner, Monroe; Mrs. John E. Zweifel, New Glarus; Mrs. John Holdrich, Brooklyn; Mrs. Dick Freitag, Monticello; and three brothers, Victor and Edward Babler, New, Glarus, and Otto Babler, Monticello. There are also nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 Monday afternoon at the home, and at 2 in the Reformed church, with Rev. A. Muehlmeier officiating. Burial was in Highland cemetery. The number in attendance at the last rites was unusually large, many being present from New Glarus, Monroe, and other neighboring towns. All business places were closed during the funeral service.