

Ethel Benkert

Nov. 20, 1890 - November 4, 1968

Mrs. Ethel Benkert, 77, Dies; Rites Held Here Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Ethel Benkert, 77 years of age, a resident of Monticello since her marriage, who passed away at 9:10 a.m. Monday in the St. Clare hospital, where she had been a medical patient since Oct. 24 after a long period of failing health were held at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon at the Zwingli United Church of Christ here.

The Rev. J. Allan Mittler, church pastor, officiated, and burial was in Highland cemetery. Pallbearers were Daniel and Frederick Benkert, Michael and Darris Bidlingmaier, Monticello, William Deihl, Rockford, James Dillman, Amherst, N. Y., Wayne Moore, Monroe, and Paul Schrepfer, Belleville.

Ethel Morrell was born on Nov. 20, 1890, at Montfort, Wis., a daughter of Henry L. and Anne Manum Morrell. She attended rural school. On Sept. 29, 1910, she was united in marriage to William H. Benkert, the ceremony taking place in Mt. Horeb. She had lived in Monticello continuously since her marriage.

She is survived by one son, Norman W., Monticello; six daughters, Mrs. Joseph (Alice) Deihl, Rockford, Ill.; Mrs. Paul (Ruth) Schrepfer, Belleville, Mrs. Thelma Moore, Monroe, Mrs. James (Theo) Dillman, Amherst, N. Y., Mrs. Sylvan (Peggy) Bidlingmaier, Monticello, and Mrs. Frank (Eleanor) Segebart, Antigo; one sister, Mrs. Violet Johnson, Madison; 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, May 15, 1955, two sons, Richard, in 1927, and Edward J., Hanover Park, Ill., Feb. 17, 1967, one brother and one sister.