

John G. Blum

Sept. 25, 1878 – July 14, 1964

John G. Blum, Age 85 Area Native, Dies After Long Illness

John G. Blum, 85 years of age, native of Washington township and a resident of Monticello for many years, died at 6:08 Tuesday afternoon at the St. Clare hospital, Monroe, where he had been a patient for several days.

He was born on a farm a short distance west of Monticello, Sept. 25, 1878, the son of Henry and Kathryn Blum. He attended the Voegeli rural school. On Nov. 4, 1909, he was united in marriage to Anna Gemperli, the ceremony taking place in Monticello. He was employed at the Karlen & Steinmann Lumber company here for many years until retiring.

Following the death of his wife Oct. 24, 1961, Mr. Blum went to live with his son, Harold J. Blum, 2252, 17th Street, Monroe.

Mr. Blum was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ here.

Mr. and Mrs. Blum had the pleasure of observing their golden wedding anniversary in 1959.

Surviving, besides his son, are one brother, George Blum, Woodstock, Ill.; three sisters, Mrs. Henry B. Hoesly and Mrs. Ernest Dahler, both of New Glarus, and Mrs. Truman Long, Monticello, and nine grandchildren.

Besides his wife, he was preceded in death by one sister in infancy, and four brothers, Nic, Henry, in Iowa in 1948 Ed, Monticello, Oct. 27, 1958. and Fred A., also of Monticello, in November, 1959.

Funeral Services Friday

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the Zwingli United Church of Christ here. The Rev. J. Allan Mittler, church pastor, will officiate, and interment will be in Highland cemetery.

Friends may call at the Voegeli funeral home after 2 p, m. today (Thursday).