

Harry Lovier French
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Harry L. French Dies at Madison, Native of Monroe Insurance Leader

Harry L. French, 74, Madison, native of Monroe and retired general agent of Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., died unexpectedly yesterday at his home in Madison.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Frautschi funeral home, Madison. Rev. A. T. Wallace, retired Congregational minister, will officiate. Friends may call at the funeral home from 7 to 9 p.m. tomorrow.

Mr. French attended Monroe grade schools and Monroe Business Institute. He went to Madison in 1905 and worked in the Northern Electric cost department for 11 years. He also began selling insurance in 1908 and helped organize Security State Bank in 1914. Mr. French went to Wausau as district agent of the Northwestern Mutual Insurance Co. but returned to Madison in 1917 and became a partner in the Shakesky and MacMillan agency.

The agency later became the French and Horner and Mr French served as senior member from 1936 until he retired in 1946 because of ill health.

He was married Dec. 25, 1906, to Magdalene Klassy, Monticello area native. She died in May, 1929. He and the former Mazie Mason of Blanchardville were married in Chicago in July, 1930.

Mr. French had served as chairman of the Madison Community Chest, was a past Rotary Club president and was a director of the Madison Club, First National Bank and Central Wisconsin Trust Co.

He had also served as president of the General Agents Association and was a member of the Masonic lodge and the Scottish Rite Bodies.

The only immediate survivor is the wife.

NOTE: Burial was in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.