

Alwina Gempeler
September 7, 1902 - June 11, 1983

Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 14, for Mrs. E. Alwina Gempeler, 80, Monticello, who died at the New Glarus Home on June 11. She had entered the Home on June 7.

She was born in Washington Township, Green County, September 7, 1902, the daughter of Matt B. and Mary Becker Wittenwyler. Her family moved to a farm near Monticello when she was a child and she attended Monticello Schools. On September 22, 1921, she was married to Albert Gempeler in Monticello by the late Rev. Albert Muehlmeier.

They farmed in the Monticello area until his death in 1955. Mrs. Gempeler moved to Monticello in 1957, residing there since. She was employed at the Monroe Medical Center for the past 28 years retiring this February.

Surviving are a son, Glenn A. Gempeler, Albany; a daughter, Mrs. William (Dorothy) Fisher, Belleville; a brother, Jacob M. Wittenwyler, Monticello; three sisters, Mrs. Julia Zimmerman, and Mrs. Edwin (Palma) Abbott, both of Monroe, and Mrs. William (Helen) Lohse, Acompo, Calif.; 13 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her mother in 1944, her father in 1956, two brothers, Harvey, 1958, and Frederick in infancy; two sisters, Mrs. Clara Elmer Wendt, 1969, and Mrs. Bernice Blumer, 1978; and a great-grandchild, Travis Pahnke, 1977.

Mrs. Gempeler was a member of the Washington Reformation Church and its Friendship Circle. She was also a member of the Monroe Eagles Auxiliary and the New Glarus G.U.G.G. Lodge and was a former member of the Washington Ladies Tug of War Team.

Funeral rites were held Tuesday, June 14, at the Washington Reformation Church with the Rev. Steven Petersen officiating. Interment was in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Gordon Gempeler, Monroe; Gary and Gerry Gempeler, Albany; Kendall Schneider, Evansville; Kevin Schneider, Brooklyn, and Gary Heinzman, grandson-in-law.

Voegeli Funeral Service was in charge.