Sam W. Grenzow, 70, Retired Monticello Merchant, Expires

Funeral services for Sam W. Grenzow, 70 years of age, highly esteemed Monticello resident and a prominent business man here for many years, who passed away Thursday morning at the home of his son, William, Elkhorn, following a long illness, were held at 2 Sunday afternoon in the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church here.

The Rev. Paul J. Gibson, pastor of the Evangelical United Brethren church, officiated, and burial was in Mt. Vernon cemetery, Juda.

Pallbearers were J. W. Barlow, Irving Eichorst, Fred G. Haldiman, Dr. J. M. Harden, M. E. Lynn and Joe J. Voegeli. Masonic rites were conducted at the grave, and the Order of the Eastern Star attended as an honorary body.

Mr. Grenzow had been in failing health for the past several years and his condition was critical in recent months.

Native of Juda

He was born Sept. 9, 1882, in Juda, the son of William and Augusta Matske Grenzow. He attended Spring Grove rural school. On Feb. 7, 1907, he was united in marriage to Margaret Ammann at Racine. They farmed in the Juda vicinity until 1916, when Mr. Grenzow entered the lumber business at Clarno with his brother. Mrs. Grenzow passed away in 1921. In 1923 he married Louise Wittwer Kline, who died in 1938. They farmed near Monroe until 1925 when they moved to Monticello to operate a grocery store. He retired in 1945 and his son, George, assumed operation of the store.

Mr. Grenzow was a member of the Evangelical United Brethren church, the Monticello Union lodge, and the Order of the Eastern Star.

Mr. Grenzow's friendly, good natured personality earned him the respect and admiration of all who knew him, and news of his passing was received with deep regret by his many friends and acquaintances.

He is survived by two sons, William S., Elkhorn and George M., Monticello; two daughters, Mrs. D. B. Cole, Jacksonville, Fla., and Mrs. Marvin Babler, Appleton; two brothers, George, Juda, and Jesse, Freeport: two sisters, Misses Selma and Ella Grenzow, Clarno; two step-sons, Brooks and Louis Kline, Waukegan, Ill.; two step-daughters, Mrs. Glen Reider, Watertown, and Mrs. Edward Dornbush, Wonder Lake, Ill; seven grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren, and two great-step-grandchildren. Mr. Grenzow was preceded in death by a sister, Mrs. Minnie Ammann, and a brother, John.