

BERTENA S. HOLCOMB

May 22, 1886 - April 13, 1977

Funeral services were held today (Wednesday), April 13, at 1 p.m. in the Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, for Mrs. Fred R. (Tena) Holcomb, 90, Monticello. Mrs. Holcomb died Sunday, April 10, 1977, in St. Clare Hospital, where she had been admitted earlier in the day.

Bertena S. Odegarde, the daughter of Johannes and Ragnild Johnson Odegarde, was born in Buffalo County, Wis., on May 22, 1886. She attended rural schools in Buffalo County and Whitewater Normal for two years. She taught rural schools in Green County for five years.

On Feb. 23, 1910, she and Fred R. Holcomb were married at Blanchardville and they farmed in Washington Township, later moving to the Monroe area where they worked at Lakeshire-Marty plant. They moved to Monticello on March 1, 1958.

Survivors include a son, LeRoy, Monticello; two brothers, Henry, Mondovi, and Edward, Eau Claire; two sisters, Mrs. Edith Otis, Albuquerque, N. Mex., and Mrs. Olga Swiggum, Mondovi; two grandsons, and two great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband on Jan. 20, 1961; a brother, Joseph; and four sisters, Rhoda, Alma, Clara and Myrtie.

Mrs. Holcomb was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, and its Ladies Aid Society.

Rev. Duane McDonough, Monroe, officiated at the funeral and the internment, which was in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Pallbearers were Earl J. Feldt, Robert C. Holcomb, Jr., John A. Lehr, and Clarence Zweifel, Monticello; Leon Holcomb, Monroe; and F.L. Kingeter, Blanchardville.