

Caroline Muehlmeier

April 1, 1870 – March 16, 1947

Mrs. A. Muehlmeier, 76, Prominent Lady Of Village, Expires Esteemed Local Resident Dies Sunday Morning; Rites Wednesday

Striking with a lightning-like suddenness which stunned the entire community and plunged it into sadness, death claimed Mrs. Caroline Muehlmeier, 76 years of age, prominent and highly esteemed Monticello resident, at her home here at 8:45 Sunday morning.

Mrs. Muehlmeier, widow of the late Dr. A. Muehlmeier, pastor of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church here for many years, had been in failing health for the past two months. She collapsed suddenly Friday afternoon and was in a critical condition until her death Sunday morning.

Born at Dale

Born at Dale, Wis., on April 1, 1870, Caroline Heuer was the daughter of Henry and Johnetta Geibel Heuer. She attended the schools in Dale and on Dec. 7, 1892, she was united in marriage to the Rev. A. Muehlmeier. They resided in Dale for six years, and moved to Monticello in 1898 when Mr. Muehlmeier answered a call to fill the pulpit of the Reformed church. They remained in Monticello for three years, leaving in 1901 for Klemme, Iowa, where Mr. Muehlmeier served as pastor for eight years. Monticello again sought Mr. Muehlmeier and they returned here in 1909, where they had since made their home. Mr. Muehlmeier retired from the pulpit of the Monticello and Washington township Reformed churches in 1938 after giving unstintingly of his time and energy to the congregations,

Mrs. Muehlmeier was the last member of a family of nine children.

She was a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church, a member of the Ladies' Aid societies of the Zwingli, and town Washington churches, and was a life member of the Women's Guild. She was a devoted and untiring worker for the church organizations with which she was affiliated and her passing has meant a heavy loss to each of them,

News of her sudden passing was received with sincere and deep regret among her many friends not only in Monticello and the surrounding community, but at distant points as well. Although they were aware of the fact that her health was failing, few of them realized the seriousness of her condition during the final days of her suffering. Her passing is a severe loss to the community and her death has removed from our midst an individual whose character was built firmly upon the pillars of honesty, faith, sincerity, loyalty and devotion. She was a constant source of inspiration to the late Dr. Muehlmeier during his many years of loyal and faithful service to the church. Her interest in and devotion to the church was deeply rooted and she gave untiringly of her time and efforts for the benefit of the church and its affiliated organizations. Thus the memory of her splendid character and sincere disposition will never be forgotten.

She is survived by one son, Ewald Muehlmeier, Milwaukee; seven daughters, Mrs. John S. Richards, Mrs. Wm. V. Baebler and Mrs. Chas. M. Rolph, Monticello, Mrs. Herman Meier, Madison, Mrs. Richard Sack and Mrs. Arthur Raiche, Milwaukee, and Mrs. Harold Nicolaus, Cudahy; and 16 grandchildren. Dr. Muehlmeier passed away Aug. 11, 1943. She was also preceded by three sisters, six brothers, and one grandson, Courtney Muehlmeier, who died in action as a member of the U. S. Marines on Iwo Jima Feb. 26, 1945,

Funeral Services Wednesday

Funeral services were held at 2 Wednesday afternoon in the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church. The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, church pastor, officiated, and burial was in Highland cemetery. Pallbearers were John Richards, Jr., and Charles Rolph, Jr., Monticello, Robert, Calvin and Richard Meier, Madison, and Payton Muehlmeier, Milwaukee.