

Thomas C. Runkle, Sr.

Oct. 22, 1894 - February 18, 1976

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 21, in the Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, for Thomas C. Runkle, Sr., 81, Monticello, who died unexpectedly at his home on Wednesday, Feb. 18.

He was born in Illinois on Oct. 22, 1894, the son of Manuel and Lula Soliday Runkle. He was married March 21, 1917, at Freeport to Lena Rhyner. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in March, 1967. They farmed in the Albany area until 1943 when they moved to Monticello. He was a carpenter for Henry C. Klassy and was later self-employed as a carpenter until retirement.

He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Elsie King, Monticello; two sons, Fred Freeport, and Thomas, S. Jr., Monroe; two brothers, E. M. Runkle and I. W. Runkle, both of Freeport; a sister, Mrs. Verna Mayer, formerly of Lena, Ill., seven grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents and four brothers.

He was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ.

Rev. Charles G. Workman officiated at the services on Saturday. Because of the inclement weather, interment was delayed until Monday. Burial was in Moores Cemetery, Decatur Township, rural Brodhead.