

Albert C. Theiler

July 13, 1899 – September 1938

Albert C. Theiler, Monroe, Is Called: Conduct Services

Rev. E. E. Remaly, Union Church, Minister Has Charge Services

Funeral services for Albert C. Theiler, 50 years of age, Monroe, former Monticello resident, who ended his life Friday evening with a bullet wound from a .22 calibre rifle, were conducted at 2 Monday afternoon in the Shriner-Neushwander funeral home, Monroe. Rev. E. E. Remaly, pastor of the Union church, Monroe officiated. Interment was in Greenwood cemetery.

Found in Shop

Mr. Theiler was found lying on the floor of the Lloyd Blum implement shop, where he had been employed, his head lying in a pool of blood and a .22 calibre rifle crooked in his arm. When found by a Monroe officer he was rushed to the Deaconess hospital in the Legion ambulance and he passed away about three hours later, or at about 9 o'clock. Authorities said evidence pointed to self infliction of the wound when he was found.

Mr. Theiler had been alone in the shop during the day, his employer having been out-of-town on business. Those who saw Mr. Theiler during the day said he appeared to be in good spirits. The rifle which was used in the shooting belonged to Mr. Blum and was kept on a high ledge. Mrs. Blum reported that Theiler asked her during the afternoon just when her husband would return and said that "I'll be here when he comes." He appeared in a lighter mood than usual and was cleanly shaven, although he only shaved on Wednesdays and Saturdays otherwise.

Native of Mt. Pleasant

Albert C. Theiler was a native of Mt. Pleasant township, having been born July 13, 1899, the son of Gottlieb and Magdalena Von Kanel Theiler. He attended the rural school in his district and devoted his entire life to the mechanical trade. For quite a number of years he was employed in Monticello by the late S. J. Luchsinger and in 1920 moved to Monroe, where the family continued to reside. Mr. Theiler was employed by the Bauman Hardware company for 17 years, ending his services there Jan. 1.

Surviving besides the bereaved widow, are one daughter, Miss Evelyn, and one son, Nathan, both at home; a step-brother, Henry Hefty, Monroe; a sister, Mrs. Arnold Dettweiler, Verona; and a half-sister, Mrs. Albert Rhyner, Verona. He was preceded in death by his parents and two step-sisters, Mrs. Sam Karlen, Monticello, and Mrs. Fred Cloughlin, Beloit.

He was a member of the congregation of the Washington township Reformed church.