# JOHN W. WIRTH

John W. Wirth, age 85, of Monticello, died Tuesday, February 14, 2006 at Pleasant View Nursing Home, Monroe. John was born on September 9, 1920 in Exeter Township, Green County, the son of John and Leonia May (Staley) Wirth. He married Edna Streit on November 12, 1945 in Monroe. John and Edna farmed in Washington Township from 1945 until moving into Monticello in 1983. He was a member of Washington Reformation United Church of Christ, rural Monticello.

Survivors include his wife, Edna Wirth, Monticello; six children, John (Ann) Wirth, Stoughton, David (Diane) Wirth, Monticello, Steve (Sue) Wirth, Verona, Susan (Brent) Stauffer, Jim Wirth, and Duane (Jori) Wirth, all of Monticello; eleven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Nellie Babler, Belleville, and Mabel (Ralph) Zimmerman, Madison.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Ronald Wirth in 1970; a granddaughter. Destiny Wirth in 1993; three brothers, Wilbert, Walter, and Edward Wirth; and two sisters, Viola Holcomb and Wilma Saxer.

Funeral services were held Sunday, February 19, 2006, at the Washington Reformation United Church of Christ with Pastor Mary Gafner officiating. Interment was in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Voegeli-Newcomer Funeral Home, Monticello, assisted the family.

A memorial fund will be established in John's name.