

## **John C. Elmer**

MONTICELLO — John C. Elmer, 85, 234 W. Coates Ave., Monticello, died Monday, May 26, 1986, at the Monroe Manor Nursing Home. Born Sept. 14, 1900, in Monticello, he was the son of Jacob H. and Katherine (Widmer) Elmer. He graduated from Monticello High School in 1920. He married Leona Marie Babler Feb. 20, 1929, in St. John's United Church of Christ Monroe, by the late Rev. P. A. Schuh.

He farmed within the village limits at Monticello and from 1927 to 1947 had operated Elmer's Brown Swiss Dairy in Monticello. After selling the dairy, he continued to farm until selling the land in 1974 for the development of Elmer's Subdivision. He had also delivered a daily Madison newspaper for seven years and a Madison Sunday paper for 20 years.

He is survived by his wife, Leona; a daughter, Mrs. Martin (Virginia) Mennieke, Deerfield; a son, Gregory Scottt Elmer, Monticello; two brothers, Henry Jr., a resident of Pleasant View Nursing Home, and Arnold, Monticello; five grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, three step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were six brothers, one in infancy, Fred, 1900, Jacob Jr. (Tommy), 1960; Marcus, 1970; Wilbert, 1973, and Herman W, 1976.

Mr. Elmer was a member of Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, and a 50-year member of the Modern Woodman Lodge. He had served several terms as a trustee for the village of Monticello.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am. Friday in Zwingli United Church of Christ. The Rev. Erwin H. Pegel, pastor, will officiate. Interment will be in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Visitation will be after 5 pm. Thursday at the Zwingli Church Memorial Lounge, and after 11 am. Friday in the church sanctuary until the time of services.

