

Robert Grossen Sr.

MONTICELLO — Robert C. Grossen Sr., 80, of Monticello, died Wednesday, June 17, 1998 at The Monroe Clinic.

He was born Aug. 1, 1917 in Arena, the son of Emil and Emma (Dummermuth) Grossen Sr.

He attended Purcell rural school in Washington township.

He married Margaret Sarbacker Oct. 29, 1938 in Dubuque, Iowa. She died May 16, 1985. He then married Florence Welton Aug. 1, 1987 in Sheboygan Falls.

Mr. Grossen farmed in Exeter township for many years before purchasing the home farm in Mount Pleasant township in 1958. He moved to Monticello after retiring in 1980.

Mr. Grossen was a member of Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, and the Monroe Moose Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Florence; three sons, Robert (Judy) and Randy (Jane), both of Monroe, and James (Debbie), Monticello; six step-children, Mrs. Gordon (Joann) Reed, Janesville, Mrs. Karl (Donna) Goebel, Browntown, Mrs. Bert (Jean) Knapp, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Phillip (Marlene) Welton, Watertown, Stanley (Jody) Welton, West Minister, Colo, and Mrs. Roger (Lynn) Zimmerman, Monroe; 11 grandchildren; 23 step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; nine step-great-grandchildren; four brothers, William (Lucile), Belleville, Edward (Opal), Howard, and George, all of Monroe; and three sisters, Wilma Reinmann and Mrs. Alwin (Arlene) DeVoe, both of Monroe, and Mrs. Rodney (Doris) Zimmerman. Juda.

He was preceded in death by two daughters, Ellen Grossen and Joann Plevak; a son, Richard Grossen, four brothers, Emil, John, Walter and Fred; and two sisters, Mary Voegeli and Emma Ritschard.

Funeral services are 11 am. Friday at Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, the Rev. Lawrence Balleine officiating. Burial is in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Friends may call from 5 to 9 tonight at Voegeli-Newcomer Funeral Home in Monticello and after 10 am. Friday at the church.

A memorial fund has been established for Zwingli United Church of Christ. Monticello.

