

MRS. BESS T. WITT

Mrs. Bess Witt, 90, Rt. 1, Monticello, died Monday, Dec. 20, 1976, at the New Glarus Home where she had been a patient since Nov. 23.

Bess T. Schultz, the daughter of Fred and Mary Gill Schultz was born Sept. 24, 1886, in Washington Township. She attended Simmons School there and on Feb. 5, 1908, she was married to Albert F. Witt, at the home of her parents, who had operated the Schultz Siding Store, in Washington Township.

They farmed in Mt. Pleasant Township after their marriage until 1935 and then retired to the Schultz Homestead. Mr. Witt died Nov. 20, 1963, and Mrs. Witt had lived alone since then. Prior to entering the New Glarus Home, she had fallen at her home and was recovering from a broken arm when she became a resident there.

Mrs. Witt made many friends with the railroad people as she waved a flashlight at passing trains near her home. She enjoyed the outdoor life and walked the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad tracks close to her home. Hunting was a hobby of hers.

She is survived by a son, Lester A. Witt, Rt. 4, Monroe, five grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband, two brothers, Roy Schultz, Monroe; and Harry Schultz, Boise, Idaho; and a sister, Mrs. Delia Stauffacher, Monroe.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Dec. 22, at the Newcomer Funeral Home, Monroe. Rev. Charles G. Workman, pastor of Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, officiated and burial was in Dutch Hollow Cemetery, Sylvester Township.

Pallbearers were Sam W. Bahler, Madison; Willis H. Babler, and Conrad F. Elmer, Monticello; Hans Sulzer, Paul H. Wagner, and Orville L. White, all of Monroe.