

Gertrude Schmid Anderson
September 4, 1908 - January 3, 2003

Gertrude Schmid Anderson, age 94. of Monroe, formerly of Monticello died on Friday, January 3, 2003, at the Monroe Manor Nursing Home.

She was born on September 4, 1908 in Bern, Switzerland, the daughter of Fred and Louise (Brand) Affolter. Gertrude arrived in America by boat in 1915 with her mother, brother, and two sisters. She enjoyed working in the garden — whether it be flowers or vegetables, and also enjoyed her grandchildren.

Gertrude and Merlyn Schmid were married on February 17, 1930 at St. John's United Church of Christ in Monroe and he died on January 25, 1952. She married Dewey O. Anderson on September 17, 1955 and he died on October 24, 1970. Gertrude worked at Oaktron Industries in Monroe and Hickory Farms in New Glarus and was a member of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Surviving are son, Eugene (Marilyn) Schmid, Monroe and John (Sharon) Schmid, Monroe; step-son Calvin (Kay) Anderson, Evansville; step-daughter, Audrey (Leon) Patterson, Appleton; sisters, Rose Lindholm, Chicago, Karlina Peterson, Sierra, Vista, AZ; Pauline Jones, Juda and Sophie (Robert) Klecker, McConnell, IL; sisters-in-law, Juanita Affolter, Juda, and Margaret Affolter, Monroe; brother-in-law, Frank Searles, Brodhead; four grandchildren; eleven step-grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husbands, her brothers, Paul, Ed and John Affolter; and sisters Margaret Stuessy, Mabel Searles, Alice Jones and Marie Berry.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, January 7, 2003 at Shriner-Hager-Gohlke Funeral Home, Monroe. Jonathan Golz officiated with burial in Highland Cemetery in Monticello.