## **Anna Blum**

## April 19, 1886 - July 17, 1969

## Mrs. Anna Blum, 83, Stricken; Rites Held In Belleville Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Blum, 83 years of age, Monticello, who passed away at 4:35 p.m. Thursday in the St. Clare hospital following a stroke earlier in the afternoon, were held at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the Becker Funeral Home, Belleville.

The Rev. Howard Beil of the United Church of Christ, Belleville, officiated, and burial was in the Belleville cemetery.

Mrs. Blum had made her home here in Monticello for the past two and a half years with her sister, Mrs. Barbara Blum.

Anna Blumer was born in New Glarus township, April 19, 1886, a daughter of Jacob and Verena Baumgartner Blumer. She attended rural schools. She was married to Edward Blum in New Glarus in 1905. They operated a hotel at Dayton for a few years and later operated the farm at the west edge of Monticello now farmed by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Karlen. They farmed in the Paoli area for 39 years. The couple retired to Basco, where Mr. Blum died in 1952.

Mrs. Blum was a member of the Paoli United Church of Christ.

She is survived by two sons, Raymond, Mankato, Minn., and Herman, Verona; a daughter, Mrs. Jessie Smith, Colby, Kansas; the sister, Mrs. Barbara Blum, Monticello. 10 grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Gilbert and Roy; six brothers, John, Jake, Fred, David, Henry and Herman Blum, and four sisters, Mrs, Joe Legler, Mrs. Robert Gempeler, Mrs. Thomas Blum, and Mrs. Herman Gempeler.