Anna Blum

Feb. 18, 1873 - Dec. 2, 1972

A native of New Glarus and a former Monticello resident, Mrs. Anna Blum, 99, died at 8:30 p.m. (EST) Saturday, Dec. 2, in the Medical Center of East Ridge Lutheran Retirement Village in Miami, Fla. She had resided there since 1966. Mrs. Blum had been in failing health for several months.

She was the widow of a Monticello merchant and postmaster, and the mother of a former Albany and Monroe physician, Dr. Otto S. Blum, who died Aug. 9, 1961, in St. Petersburg, Fla.

The former Anna Schindler was born Feb. 18, 1873, a daughter of Gabriel and Barbara Hefty Schindler. On Oct. 15, 1893, she was married to Edward J. Blum.

She lived in Monticello until the death of Mr. Blum, Feb. 5, 1937, moving then to Miami, Fla. Her husband died in Kentucky while the couple was en route to a two-month stay in Florida.

Mrs. Blum was a member of the Miami Shores Presbyterian Church and a former member of Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello.

Surviving are a son, Fred G., Madison; two daughters, Mrs. E. P. (Nona) McKinney, Kissimmee, Fla. and Mrs. Herman E. (Berdie) Theiler, Miami Shores, Fla.; four grandchildren, Mrs. Elliott Sweet, Verona. Dr. Fred G. Blum Jr., rural Monticello; Grant Blum, La Crosse, and William Theiler, North Miami, Fla., and 10 great-grandchildren.

A son, Albert E. Blum, Washington, D. C., died Jan. 30, 1964, while on a weekend visit in Miami with his mother. He was an evaluation expert with the Internal Revenue Service of the U.S. Treasury. A brother, Albert S. Schindler, died in 1931 and a sister, Mrs. Charles A. (Bertha) Hefty in 1967.

Funeral services for Mrs. Blum will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, in Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello. Rev. Charles G. Workman of Zwingli Church and Rev. Linus Wierwill of Swiss United Church of Christ, New Glarus, will officiate. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Memorial Lounge of Zwingli Church after 5 p.m. Tuesday and at the church sanctuary after 11:30 a.m. Wednesday.

A memorial fund has been established.

Voegeli Funeral Service is in charge of arrangements.