

**MRS. FRED BLUM IS CALLED BY DEATH**  
**LONG ILLNESS IS ENDED THIS MORNING AT HOME NEAR MONTICELLO.**

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Monticello—Mrs. Fred Blum, aged 57, for many years a highly respected resident of Washington township, passed away about 8 o'clock this morning at her home, about five miles west of Monticello. Mrs. Blum was ill for about two years, and all possible medical aid was administered to relieve her of intense pain suffered at times. She had been confined to bed all winter and her condition for the past month had been critical. For a week she was in an unconscious state.

Caroline Theiler, daughter of Christian and Marianna Theiler was born April 5, 1866 in Speiz. Canton Bern, Switzerland. When 1 year old, she accompanied her parents to America, settling in Washington township. About 37 years ago she was united in marriage to Fred Blum in Monticello. Since coming to America she has always resided in Washington township.

**Well Known Here.**

Mrs. Blum was well known in Monroe and had a wide circle of friends in and about Monticello. She endeared herself to many by her neighborly and friendly ways. Her passing will be regarded as a great loss to her family, with whom she spent much of her time. Mrs. Blum was a member of the Washington township church.

Besides the widower, the deceased is survived by six children: They are: Mrs. Robert Wild. Mrs. Walter Voegeli, Robert Blum, Monticello, and Fred. Herman and Arthur Blum. at home. Robert Theiler, Monroe, is a brother of the deceased and the last surviving member of the family. Two brothers, Christ and Huldrich preceded her in death. Several grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 12:30 at the home, and at 1:30 at the Swiss Reformed church, Monticello. Rev. A. Muehlmeier will officiate and interment will be in Monticello.