

**Katherine Blum**  
**Aug. 20, 1850 - April 30, 1932**

**MRS. KATHARINE BLUM DIES AT DAUGHTER'S HOME**

Mrs. Katharine Blum, aged 81, died at 3:30 Saturday afternoon in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry B. Hoesly, where she had been bedfast for 12 weeks. Complications were fatal.

Miss Katharine Blum was born in Bilton, Canton Glarus Switzerland Aug. 20, 1850, the daughter of Fridolin and Anna Becker Blum. She came to this country with her parents in 1866, at the age of 16 years, and settled in Knoxville, Tenn., where they lived for two years. They then came to Washington township where she lived with her parents until the fall of 1870 when she was married to Henry Blum, Washington township. They made their home on the homestead farm there until Mr. Blum's death, Feb. 7, 1904. She spent the rest of her life with her children,

She is survived by five sons, Fred, Edward and John, Monticello; Henry, Renwick, Ia., and George, Harvard, Ill.; and three daughters, Mrs. Henry B. Hoesly, New Glarus; Mrs. Truman Long, Durand, Ill., and Mrs. Ernest Dahler, Belleville; thirteen grandchildren, one great-grandchild and two sisters, Mrs. Rosa Rhiner, Hardy, Ia., and Mrs. Fred Blatti, Goldfield, Ia. One son, Nic, died at the age of 21 and a daughter at 19 months. A brother and three sisters also preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 Tuesday afternoon in the Henry B. Hoesly home, New Glarus, and at 2 in the Reformed church, Monticello. Rev. Muehlmeier officiated, with burial in Highland cemetery, Monticello.

Pallbearers were the following nephews of the deceased: Henry E. Babler, Fred Babler, Jacob Babler, Fred W. Blum, Jacob Blum and Henry Kubli.