## **Katherine Blum**

Dec. 23, 1890 - Oct. 25, 1988

Mrs, Katherine (Katie) Blum, 97, Mount Horeb, and formerly of Washington Township and Monroe, died Tuesday, Oct. 25, 1988, at Ingelside care facility in Mount Horeb, where she was a resident since July 1979,

She was born Dec. 23, 1890, in Washington Township, Green County, to Melchior and Barbara (Jenny) Aebly. She attended Marty and. Dividing Ridge Rural School in Washington Township.

On Dec. 16, 1915, she married Robert W. Blum in Monticello. They farmed in Washington Township until moving to Monroe in 1946. She was a member of the Jehovah Witnesses in Monroe.

Survivors include two sons, Willis and Arthur, both of Monroe; three daughters, Mrs. Kay. Statz, Mount. Horeb; Mrs. Gaylord (Mardell) Erickson, Verona; and Mrs. James (Carol) Lanz, Monroe; 16 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1970; four sisters, Mrs. Lena Pluss Klassy, Mrs. Minnie Zweifel, Mrs. Sarah Wittwer and Mrs. Barbara Schindler, and two brothers, Fred and Daniel.

Funeral services were held Friday at the Newcomer Funeral Home, Monroe. Werner Furrer of the Jehovah Witnesses officiated. Burial was in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.