Melvin E. Blumer

Oct. 28. 1901- May 15, 1980

Melvin E. Blumer. 78, Monticello, died Thursday, May 15, at the New Glarus Home where he had been a resident since Dec. 20, 1979.

Born on the Blumer Homestead farm in Adams Township, Green County, on Oct. 28, 1901, he was the son of Fred and Sophia Zimmerman Blumer. He attended the Dividing Ridge rural school.

His marriage to the former Bernice Ila Wittenwyler took place Sept. 26, 1929, in St. John's United Church of Christ, Monroe. They farmed on the Blumer home farm.

He was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello. He served for many years on the Dividing Ridge School Board and had been an officer of the Holstein Prairie Cheese Factory. He was also a member and former director of the Holstein-Fresian Association.

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 17, in Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello. Rev. Charles G. Workman officiated and burial was in Highland Cemetery.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Viola Schadt, and Mabel Blumer, both of Monroe, and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife on Feb. 15, 1978, and his parents.

Pallbearers were Frederick Schadt, Sarasota, Fla.; Alvin Itten, New Glarus; and Robert Duerst Jr., Glenn Schmid, Gilman Schmid and Marvin W. Thoman, Monticello.