

**Sophia Blumer**  
**May 18, 1878 – July 1958**

**Mrs. Fred Blumer, 80, Monroe, Dies Friday; Rites Held Monday**

Funeral services for Mrs. Fred Blumer, 80 years of age, Monroe, native of Washington township, and the last member of her family, who passed away at 2 Friday afternoon at her home, were held at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the Shriner-Neushwander funeral home, Monroe.

The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, pastor of the Washington United Church of Christ, of which she was a member, officiated. Burial was in Greenwood cemetery, Monroe.

Mrs. Blumer had been in failing health for the past year.

Sophia Zimmerman was the daughter of Jacob and Anna Marie Kaderly Zimmerman. She was born in Washington township, May 18, 1878, and attended rural school. On Sept. 28, 1899, she was united in marriage to Fred Blumer, the ceremony taking place on the Blumer homestead farm. They farmed there until moving to Monroe in 1930. Their only son, Melvin, has operated the farm since that time.

Mrs. Blumer was a member of the Washington United Church of Christ.

She is survived by her husband; the son; two daughters, Mrs. Ralph Schadt, and Miss Mabel Blumer, at home; and two grandchildren, Rhea and Frederic Schadt.

Mrs. Blumer was preceded in death by two brothers, John and Albert Zimmerman; a sister, Mrs. John Theiler, five half-sisters and two half-brothers.