## **Barbara Freitag**

Dec. 25, 1864 – February 4, 1954

## Mrs. Rudy Freitag, 89, Esteemed Local Resident, Succumbs

Funeral services for Mrs. Rudy Freitag, 89 years of age, highly respected and esteemed Monticello resident, who passed away at 10:25 p. m. Thursday at her home here, were held at 2 Sunday afternoon in the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church.

The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, officiated, and burial was in Highland cemetery. Pallbearers were Joe Blumer and Elmer Schwerin, Monticello, Henry J. Rhyner and William Schultz, Albany, Alfred Rhyner, Brodhead, and Emil Schultz, Evansville.

Mrs. Freitag had been bedfast for only nine days, although she had been in failing health for several years. Death resulted from old age complications.

## **Sylvester Township Native**

Barbara Speich was born in Sylvester township Dec. 25, 1864, the daughter of Fridolin and Magdalena Speich. She moved to Iowa with her family as a baby and attended rural school there. In 1891 she was united in marriage to Rudy Freitag, the ceremony taking place in Webster City, Iowa. After their marriage they returned to Wisconsin and farmed in Mt. Pleasant township until moving to the village in 1921.

Mrs. Freitag was always held in the highest esteem by all who knew her. She was possessed of a warm, friendly disposition and was a friend of young and old alike.

Mrs. Freitag was a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church and was a member of its Ladies' Aid society until of late years.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Lena Babler, Monticello; one son, Jacob F. Freitag, Monroe; one half-brother and three half-sisters, in Iowa; three grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren,

She was preceded in death by her husband, who died as a result of injuries suffered when he was struck by a truck in September, 1936; one grandson, Garnet Babler, in August, 1939; three sisters, two brothers and one half-brother,