

Jacob H. Freitag

Aug. 15, 1875 - December 21, 1943

Jacob H. Freitag, Prominent Exeter Twp. Farmer, Dies Heart Attack Fatal to Well Known Local Farmer Tuesday A. M.

Suffering an attack of heart disease while at work doing the daily chores in the barn on his farm, two miles north of Monticello, Jacob H. Freitag, 68 years of age, prominent Exeter township farmer for over three decades, passed away Tuesday morning at about 9 o'clock.

Mr. Freitag and his hired hand, John Wirth, Jr., were busy in the barn with the morning chores when Mr. Freitag suffered the attack. Wirth, who was at the far end of the barn from his employer, heard a thud as Mr. Freitag fell to the barn floor. Coroner Herman A. Stuessy, Monroe, was called and pronounced death due to an attack of heart disease. Mr. Freitag had been in apparent good health.

Born in Exeter

He was born in Exeter township Aug. 15, 1875, the son of Henry and Ursula Blumer Freitag. He was married to Emma Jordi, the ceremony taking place Nov. 20, 1900, in Monticello. Mr. and Mrs. Freitag had lived on their present farm for the past 36 years.

Mr. Freitag was a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church, Monticello. He was known as an industrious farmer and had earned the respect and friendship of neighboring farmers.

Surviving are the widow; five sons, Hobert, Stanley, Terrance and Otto, New Glarus, and John, Chicago; eight daughters, Mrs. Henry Pauli and Mrs. Herbert Duerst, New Glarus; Mrs. W. D. Elmer and Mrs. Arnold Elmer, Monticello, Mrs. John Larson, Chicago, Mrs. Oral Ace, Belleville, and Frances and Patricia, at home; 23 grandchildren; two brothers, Henry, New Glarus, and Edward, Eau Claire; seven sisters, Mrs. Jacob J. Hefty, Mrs. Casper Zentner, Mrs. Fred Moser, Monticello, Mrs. F. Wm. Schuler, Madison, Mrs. Burr Bagley, Albany, Mrs. Rose Duerst, Ohio, and Mrs. Gottfried Gottier, Orfordville. He was preceded in death by his parents, one son and one daughter.

Funeral Thursday

The body will lie in state at the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church from this (Thursday) noon until 2 o'clock, at which time services will be conducted by the Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, church pastor.

Burial will be in Highland cemetery. Pallbearers, all neighbors of the deceased, will be Jacob Voegeli, Fred H. Disch, Jacob H. Disch, Clarence Elmer, John Saxer and John Wirth, Sr.