

Herman Gempeler

Jan. 15, 1889 - Aug. 18, 1972

Gempeler Services Held Today

Funeral services for Herman Gempeler, 83, who died Friday, Aug. 18, in Monroe Manor Nursing Home, were at 2 p.m. today in Zwingli United Church of Christ Memorial Lounge, Monticello. Rev. Charles G. Workman officiated. Mrs. Ralph Kubly was soloist; Miss Rose Stauffer was the organist. Burial was in Highland Cemetery at Monticello. Pallbearers were Edward F. Blum, Willis Weiss and Leon C. Gempeler, Monticello; Glen W. Rufer, Winslow, Ill., and Marvin Rufer and Ernest F. Snyder, Monroe.

Voegeli Funeral Service was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Gempeler was born in New Glarus Township Jan. 15, 1889, a son of John and Mary Loertscher Gempeler. On March 14, 1912, he was married in Monticello to Ursula Blumer.

Mr. Gempeler had farmed in the Albany area; 12 years in the Norwegian Settlement. After the death of his wife, Aug. 26, 1950, he lived with a son, Robert, for five years. In 1955 he returned to Monticello and worked on area farms until retiring to the village in 1960. He had been at the Monroe Manor since Oct. 18, 1968.

He was a member of Zwingli Church at Monticello.

Surviving are the son, Robert N., Albany; a brother, Henry, and a sister, Mrs. Will Rufer, both of Monroe; five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Fred, Edward, John, and Albert, and three sisters, Mrs. Isaac (Louise) Babler, and Mrs. Albert (Mary) Rufer, both of Monroe, and Lydia in 1907.