

Ulrich Gerber

March 27, 1881 - October 29, 1968

Ulrich Gerber, 87, Dies Tuesday Night After Long Illness

Ulrich Gerber, 87 years of age, retired Washington township farmer and resident of Monticello for 25 years, died Tuesday evening at the New Glarus Home for Aged, where he had lived since March. He had been in failing health since January.

A native of Switzerland, he was born in Canton Berne on March 27, 1881, a son of Simon and Elizabeth Schareer Gerber. On July 21, 1905, he was married in Switzerland to Emma Friechter. Mr. Gerber came to America the same year and his wife arrived here in 1906.

They farmed in the Monroe area until 1920, when the entire family returned to Switzerland for a visit. Upon their return Mr. Gerber purchased a farm in Washington township from Albert Moritz. Mr. and Mrs. Gerber retired to the village in 1943.

After the death of their daughter, Mrs. Emanuel Hess, in 1930, the Gerbers raised her three sons, Roy, Otto and Wilbert Hess.

Mr. Gerber was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ here.

He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. John (Anna) Saxer, Monroe; one son, Werner, on the home farm in Washington township; one brother, Rudy, New Glarus; 13 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren, and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 1947; the daughter in 1930; one son, Otto, in 1933; two grandsons, Gary Gerber, 1957, and Leon Gerber, in March of this year; one great-grandson, Nathan Wirth, Juda; five brothers, William, Peter and Fred, Monroe, John, Mt. Vernon. and Simon, Sun Prairie, and one sister, Marie, in Switzerland.

Funeral services are pending at the Voegeli funeral home here.