

**Fannie Kropf**  
**September, 1882 – February 1941**  
**Mrs. Emil Kropf is Called; Rites Held**  
**Washington Twp. Citizen Expires After Brief Illness**

Funeral services for Mrs. Emil Kropf, 58 years of age, a Washington township resident for many years and for the past several years a resident of Monticello, who passed away at 6:15 Thursday morning in a Monroe hospital following an illness of several weeks duration, were conducted at 2 Saturday afternoon in the Voegeli funeral home.

Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, pastor of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church officiated. Burial was in Highland cemetery. Pallbearers were Fred A. Blum, Ed. Blum, Nick Freitag, Walter Hauri, Conrad Stauffacher and Henry D. Freitag.

Fannie Birkey was born in Illinois in September, 1882, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Birkey. She was united in marriage to Emil Kropf. For a number of years they resided in cheese factories, the gentleman having been a pioneer cheesemaker of this area. Subsequently they turned to farming and for many years operated a farm owned by Nick Freitag in Washington township. When the gentleman's health forced him to retire from strenuous work about four years ago Mr. and Mrs. Kropf moved to Monticello to reside.

Surviving, besides the bereaved widower, are four sons, Herman, California, and Edward, Charles and Walter, all of Monticello: three brothers, Joseph and Jacob Birkey, in Illinois, and John Birkey, residing in Georgia, three sisters, Mrs. Hilda Foot, Deacon, Ill., Mrs. Laura Orso, St. Louis, Mo, and Mrs. Marie Fahroney, Burtonville, Ill., and one grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents and one son.