

David A. Legler
May 15, 1875 – March 5, 1953

David A. Legler, 79, Dies Thursday A. M. After Long Illness

Funeral services for David A. Legler, who passed away at 8 Thursday morning at his home on South Main street at the age of 79 years, were held at 2 Saturday afternoon at the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church here.

The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, church pastor, officiated, and burial was in Highland cemetery. Pallbearers were Albert Babler, Harlan Babler, William Buehl, Jr., Ralph Hammerly, Monticello, Charles Lulling and Clarence Marty, Madison.

Mr. Legler had been in ailing health for the past two years and his condition was critical in recent weeks.

New Glarus Native

A native of New Glarus township, Mr. Legler was born May 15, 1875, the son of George and Barbara Schindler Legler. He attended rural school near New Glarus. On July 12, 1892, he was united in marriage to Bertha Schlittler by the late Rev. Heinrich Rusterholz. They had always resided in the Monticello area, having farmed in Washington and Mt. Pleasant townships before moving to the village. Mr. Legler also worked as a mason, a trade at which he became proficient.

Mr. Legler was a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church.

Mr. and Mrs. Legler had the pleasure of celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary July 12, 1952.

Mr. Legler was a good friend of the youngsters of his neighborhood and they will miss him deeply, as will his host of older acquaintances. He enjoyed reminiscing and was able to recall happenings and dates of past years which most others failed to remember.

A keen angling enthusiast during the summer months, Mr. Legler could be seen often driving down the street in his model T truck with a cane pole tied to the side, for a short cat fishing jaunt down on the Sugar river.

Surviving are his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Louise Freitag, New Glarus, Mrs. Fred C, Hammerly, Albany, and Mrs. Wm. Buehl, Sr., Monticello; two sons, Herman, Monroe, and Joseph, Monticello; one brother, Andrew, Verona; one sister, Mrs. John C. Blum, Monticello; 12 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Jacob, in 1906, six brothers and one sister.