Rudy Leuenberger June 6, 1875 – March 17, 1951

Rudy Leuenberger, 75, Dies Saturday Night; Rites Held Heart Attack is Fatal to Esteemed Resident of Community

Funeral services for Rudy Leuenberger, 75 years of age, whose body was found at 10:30 Sunday morning in his home near the site of the Monticello woolen mills, were held at 1:30 Tuesday afternoon in the Voegeli funeral home.

The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, pastor of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church, officiated, and burial was in Greenwood cemetery, Monroe. Pallbearers were Rudy Ammon, Jr., Howard D. Kennedy, Henry Kubly, Jr.. Wm. G. Meier, John Wirth and Walter Zeller.

Mrs. Charles D. Kennedy, a neighbor, feared that something possibly was wrong when she noticed a light had been burning at the Leuenberger home since Saturday night. She called her son, Howard D. Kennedy, who investigated. Mr. Leuenberger, who was employed at the woolen mills for a number of years until the plant was destroyed by fire last spring, lived alone.

A doctor estimated that Mr. Leuenberger's death occurred late Saturday night, the result of a heart attack.

Native of Switzerland

Mr. Leuenberger was born in Switzerland June 6, 1875. He was married there in 1900 to Elsa Wagner. They came to Green county in 1906 and farmed in the Monroe vicinity until 1921, when they moved to a farm two miles northeast of Monticello. Mrs. Leuenberger passed away in 1923. On May 21, 1927, he was united in marriage to Bertha Volkart in St. John's church, Monroe. She passed away March 10, 1934.

Mr. Leuenberger was respected and admired by everyone. He was a friendly individual who possessed an unusually industrious disposition. A hardworking man, he was unusually active for one of his years.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Don Best, Davis, Ill, and Miss Lillian, Monticello; and one grandson, Douglas Best. He was preceded in death by five brothers and three sisters.