Emil Ritschard Jan. 18, 1872 - May 16, 1953

Emil Ritschard Succumbs Here

Emil Ritschard, 81, of 909 11th avenue, died at 10:30 a.m. today in his home after suffering a heart attack yesterday. He had been in failing health several years and has been in bed since January.

Mr. Ritschard was born Jan. 18, 1872, the son of Christ and Sophie Reuben Ritschard. He was married Nov. 28, 1895 to Magdalena Isely in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Christ Isely, Washington Township.

Mr. and Mrs. Ritschard farmed in Washington Township until 1922 when they moved to Monroe. He then helped his brother, Fred, in the contractor and carpenter business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ritschard celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary last November.

He was a member of the Washington Township church of which he had been an Elder for more than 50 years, and since coming to Monroe attended St. John's church.

He leaves his widow; two sons, Herman, Browntown, and Paul, 1017 10th street; two daughters, Mrs. William Heinzelman, Route 2, and Mrs. Ralph Kubly, Monticello; 18 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and a brother, Fred, 2116 16th street. He was preceded in death by three sisters, Mrs. Sophie Theiler, Mrs. Margaret Rufer and Mrs. Julia Wenger.

Tentative services are set for 2 p. m. Tuesday in St. John's church with Stuessy funeral home making arrangements.

NOTE: Interred in the Washington Reformation Church cemetery.