

Emil R. Rufer Jr.

Feb. 14, 1923 - May 8, 1989

Emil R. Rufer Jr., 66, Monticello, died Monday, May 8, 1989, in University Hospitals, Madison.

Born Feb. 14, 1923, in Green County, he was the son of Emil and Katherine (Legler) Rufer. He married the former Geraldine A. Hasse, July 3, 1965, at Juda.

He was owner-operator of the Boar's Nest tavern in Monticello and was a tavern owner for the past 25 years. He was previously a cheesemaker in Green County for 15 years.

He was a member of the South Central Tavern League and a former member of the Green County Foreign Type Cheesemakers Association.

Surviving are his wife, Geraldine; three sons, Neil J. Rufer, Monroe, and Gerald and Jon Rufer, Monticello; a step-son, Kurt Busjahn, Jacksonville; two step-daughters, Kristy Turner, Monticello, and Mrs. Kathy (Scott) Hensel, Ozark, Ala.; a brother, Leon Rufer, Argyle; two sisters, Viola Rosenstiel, Browntown, and Mrs. Mabel (Max) Lehr, Monroe, and seven grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a son, David; a daughter, Susan; a grandson and two brothers.

Funeral services were held Thursday in Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, with the Rev. Erwin Pegel officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.