Marianna Rufer April 5, 1906 - Sept. 6, 1976

Mrs: Marianna Rufer, 70, 1140 15th St., died Monday, Sept. 6, at 12 noon in the Pleasant View Nursing Home where she had been a patient since January of this year. She had suffered a series of strokes.

Born in Meyringen, Canton Bern, Switzerland, on April 5, 1906, she was the daughter of Hans and Marie Otto Brugger. She attended school in Switzerland. In 1923 the whole family came to this country and settled in the Green County area.

She was married to Edward Rufer in Freeport in 1925. They farmed in Washington Township. He died Oct. 5, 1953. She farmed with a son there and in 1956 moved to Monroe. She then moved to Monticello and lived there until three years ago. She has lived in Monroe ever since.

Surviving are two sons, Clarence C. Rufer, Rt. 4, Mansion Drive, and Roy H. Rufer, Rt. 2; four grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Margaretha Hurliman, and Mrs. Frieda J. Ruef, both of Rockford, Il.

Mrs. Rufer was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a son, Willis, 1934, and a sister, Irma Aebgglan, 1973.

She was a member of the Washington Reformation Church, its GUGG and Women of the Moose. She was the first woman to receive the Friendship Degree.

A Moose Service will be held Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.

Services will be Thursday, Sept. 9 at 1:30 p.m. in the Washington Reformation Church with Rev. Duane McDonough officiating. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. on Wednesday at the Stuessy Funeral Home and until noon on Thursday and then at the church until time of services. A memorial fund has been established.