

Jacob Rupp

Jan. 10, 1873 – April 21, 1963

Jacob Rupp, 90, Dies; Rites Held for Oldest Local Male Resident

Funeral services for Jacob Rupp, 90 years of age, Monticello's oldest male resident, who died Sunday at 1215 p. m. at his home here, were held at 2 Wednesday afternoon at the Voegeli funeral home here,

The Rev. J. Allan Mittler, pastor of Zwingli United Church of Christ, officiated, and burial was in Highland cemetery. Pallbearers were Kay Chesebro, Cecil Holloway, Earl Geigel and Paul Kern, Monroe, Albert J. Marty and John Wittenwyler.

Mr. Rupp had been in failing health for several months and bedfast since November.

Native of Switzerland

A native of Switzerland, he was born in Canton Berne, Jan. 10, 1873, the son of Rudolph and Emma Rupp. In 1891, when he was 18 years of age, he came to this country, directly to the Farmer's Grove cheese factory. approximately eight miles northwest of Monticello, where he helped his brother, Robert make cheese for a year.

He then made cheese for eight years on the Jacob Voegeli farm northwest of Monticello. the factory standing where the present farm lane is. Upon retiring as a cheesemaker, he farmed south of Monticello for 11 years. moving to Monticello in 1921. On Aug. 4, 1897, he was married at Monroe to Anna Speich, the late Rev. Schuh officiating. She died April 16, 1950.

Mr. Rupp was the last of a family of 11 children.

He was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ and always read the German Bible.

He is survived by one daughter, Viola M. Rupp, Monticello: one grandson, Frederick Rupp, Tucson, Ariz.; five granddaughters, Betty and Kathryn Rupp, Elgin, Ill., Mrs. Jack Miller, Plymouth, Mrs. David Holman, Platteville, and Judy, Monroe,

Besides his wife, he was preceded in death by two sons, Herman, in 1909, and Jacob, Jr., in 1958.