

Walter Zeller

Jan. 27, 1903 - September 20, 1970

Walter Zeller, Age 67, Dies; Rites Held Here Wednesday

The community was plunged into sadness when it was learned that Walter Zeller, 67 years of age, Mt. Pleasant township, died unexpectedly at 3 Sunday morning in the St. Clare hospital, Monroe, where he had been a patient since Sept. 9, when he suffered a heart attack at his farm home, about a mile and a half northeast of Monticello.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon in the Zwingli United Church of Christ here. The Rev. Howard E. Beil, pastor of the First Reformed church, Belleville, officiated, and burial was in Highland cemetery. Frederick S. Voegeli, Monticello, was in charge. Pallbearers were Robert Buehl, Robert Meier, William G. Meier, William Moser, John Wettach and Robert Zentner.

He was born in New Glarus township, Jan. 27, 1903, a son of John and Eliza Steiger Zeller. He attended rural schools. On Nov. 22, 1928, he was united in marriage to Gertrude Pulver, the ceremony taking place in Monroe. They had farmed on the Zeller homestead farm until retiring from active farming in 1967, after which they continued to reside there.

Mr. Zeller was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ and of the Monticello Masonic lodge, No. 155 F and AM. He was a former clerk of the Zentner rural school district.

He is survived by his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Henry (Ruth) Balas, Janesville; one son, Reynold, employed by the Department of Natural Resources, and one brother, Werner, El Cajon, Calif.

His father died in 1937 and his mother in 1947. He was also preceded in death by two brothers, John, in 1927, and Arnold, in 1930.