Louise Zimmerman

July 27, 1880 - June 24, 1971

Mrs. Zimmerman, 90, Stricken in Madison; Services Held Here

Funeral services for Mrs. Louise Zimmerman, 90 years of age, a former Monticello resident, who died at 4 p.m. Thursday in the Lake Shore Manor Nursing Home, Madison, after a long illness, were held at 2 Saturday afternoon in the Zwingli United Church of Christ Memorial Lounge here.

The Rev. Charles G. Workman, church pastor, officiated, and burial was in Highland cemetery.

Mrs. Zimmerman, who had resided in Monticello for 38 years, had been a patient at the nursing home for the past four years.

Louise Wyss was born in Herisau, Canton Appenzell, Switzerland, July 27, 1880, a daughter of Christoff and Louise Ramsauer Wyss. She came to America with her parents in 1883, at the age of three years, settling near New Glarus. Later the family moved to the Darlington area and she attended rural schools there.

On Feb. 28, 1904, she was married in New Glarus to Jacob Zimmerman. They farmed in Washington township until 1918, when they moved to Monticello. He worked for the highway department in Washington and Mt. Pleasant townships for many years, in the days when horses furnished the power to operate the grading equipment. In 1956 Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman moved to Monroe to live with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Zimmerman. Her husband died Sept. 23, 1962, and in 1964 she moved to Madison with them and had been at the nursing home since 1967.

She was a confirmed member of St. John's church, Monroe, and a former member of the Zwingli Ladies Aid society here.

She is survived by one son, Reinhart, Miami, Fla.; one daughter, Mrs. Clarence (Alpha) Peterson, Downers Grove, Ill.; a stepdaughter, Mrs, Tillie Hoesly, Madison; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Wyss, Monroe, now at Pleasant View nursing home, and Mrs. Jay Zimmerman, 411 LaBell Lane, Madison; three grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by one son, Alfred, at the age of 3; a daughter, at birth; her father in 1916, her mother in 1941, and four brothers, Fred, Robert, Herman and William.