

Matthias Baumgartner

1882 – October 1939

Matt. Baumgartner Expires; Rites Held Hand Infection is Fatal To Mt. Pleasant Twp. Resident

Funeral services for Matthias Baumgartner, 57 years of age, Mt. Pleasant township, who passed away at about 11 o'clock Friday morning in the Deaconess hospital, Monroe, from a hand infection, were conducted at 2 Sunday afternoon in the Monroe funeral home.

Rev. Paul C. Kehle, pastor of St. John's Evangelical church, Monroe, officiated. Interment was in Bethel cemetery, south of Monroe. Pallbearers were: Ben and Leon Elmer, Carl Seiber, Clifford Riese and Albert Marty, Mt. Pleasant township, and Ernest Studer, Monroe.

He had been admitted in the hospital as a patient three different times, Sept. 13, 18 and 28.

Swiss Native

Mr. Baumgartner was a native of Switzerland, having been born in Engi, Canton Glarus, in 1882, the son of Rudolph and Barbara Baumgartner. In 1907 he came to America, settling north of Monticello. On Feb. 2, 1935, he was united in marriage in Belvidere, Ill., to Dorothy Mae Herbig, Monroe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Herbig, Pecatonica, Ill. They had been making their home on the Ben Elmer farm, about three miles south of Monticello. Surviving besides the bereaved widow are four children, Dorabelle, Charles Edward, Barbara and Donna Mae, all at home; one brother. and two sisters in Switzerland and one sister in Finland. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters.