## Mary Anne Blum Nov. 9, 1867 – July 1936

## Mrs, Fred S. Blum, Aged 68, Expires After Brief Illness Rev. Muehlmeier Conducts Funeral Services For Local Citizen

Funeral services for Mrs. Fred S. Blum, 68 years of age, well known Monticello woman, who passed away at 10:50 o'clock Monday morning after a short illness, were conducted at 2 p. m. Wednesday in the home for the family at 2:30 in the Reformed church.

Rev. A. Muehlmeier, pastor of church, officiated. Interment Highland cemetery. Pallbearers were the nephews of the deceased as follows: Adam Schuler, Monticello; Bruce Blum, Monroe; Gilbert Schuler, Orfordville: A. E, Blum, and F. Wm. Schuler, Madison, and Edward Wild, Belleville.

## **Community Shocked**

Mrs. Blum's sudden and unexpected passing came as a sad blow to both relatives and friends, few of whom were aware of her critical condition. She had always enjoyed good health until approximately a year ago when she became affected with a rheumatic condition. On May 22 Mrs. Blum entered St. Marty's hospital, Madison, where she submitted to a major operation May 26. Following the operation, she returned to her home where she remained for three weeks. While at her her home, she was under the care of Miss Hazel Sweetwood, R. N., Monroe. She re-entered the hospital July 10, when she again submitted to surgery. She was not considered seriously ill until early Monday morning, when the family at home received a call requesting them to report at the hospital at the earliest opportunity.

A native of Washington township, Mary Anne Schuler was a daughter of Christian and Rosina Blum Schuler, having been born Nov. 9, 1867. At the age of 15 she moved with her parents to Monroe, where she received her education. In 1885, she was united in marriage in Monroe to Fred S. Blum. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. Speich. Following their marriage, the couple resided on a farm a few miles west of Monticello, moving to the village in 1900. Since then they have always resided in the village,

## **Many Sterling Qualities**

The sudden passing of Mrs. Blum removes from our midst a woman of many sterling qualities and news of her death has occasioned sincere regret among a large circle of friends in this vicinity and elsewhere. She was possessed of a benevolent disposition and performed many acts of charity unknown to her friends and acquaintances. She was not only a devoted wife and mother but an ideal neighbor who had always been held in the highest regard by those whom she numbered among her acquaintances.

Survivors, besides the widower, are one daughter, Edyth R., one son, William E, and one stepdaughter, Anna U. Blum, Milwaukee,

Mr. and Mrs. Blum had the pleasure of celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in November of last year, at which time countless numbers of their friends came to express their congratulations. Mrs. Blum was a member of the German Reformed church and of the Ladies' Aid society.