## **Joseph Elmer** April 10, 1858 - July 12, 1933

## JOSEPH ELMER, 75 YEARS OLD, ANSWERS CALL Funeral Services Held in Village Saturday Afternoon

After several months of seriously impaired health, Joseph Elmer, 75 years of age, well known and highly respected resident of Monticello and vicinity for a long period of years, passed away in his home in Monticello at 7:15 o'clock Wednesday evening, July 12.

The principal cause of Mr. Elmer's death was complications, with which he had been afflicted for some time. His condition was aggravated by a nervous breakdown in April and he had been under the care of a professional nurse since that time.

A native of New Glarus township, Mr. Elmer was born April 10, 1858, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fridolin Elmer. He was united in marriage to Miss Ursula Lindner, Milwaukee, in that city on March 20, 1883.

After remaining in Milwaukee for a period of two years, the couple moved to Monticello and settled on the farm now owned by his son, Henry C. Elmer, and conducted by his grandson, Clarence Elmer. Here they resided until 28 years ago when they retired from farming and moved to the village to reside.

Mr. Elmer had spent practically all of his life in or near Monticello, where he was known to all as an industrious and successful farmer and an accommodating and congenial neighbor. He not only believed in but practiced the "square deal" in all of his business transactions, and because of his good-natured and friendly disposition he was held in high esteem by all who knew him.

Besides the widow, Mr. Elmer is survived by one son, Henry C. Elmer, Monticello; one daughter, Mrs. M. H. Stauffacher, Mt. Pleasant township; two brothers, Henry H. Elmer and Fred Elmer, Monticello; three sisters, Mrs. Arthur Crouch, Washington township; Mrs. S. T. Clayton, Central City, Neb., and Mrs. Caroline Bailey, West Point, Neb.; one half-brother, Emil Elmer, Washington township; his stepmother, Mrs. Fridolin Elmer, Washington township; two grandchildren, Clarence H. Elmer, Washington township, and Marian Elmer, Monticello, and a great grandson, Clarence Elmer, Jr. Preceding Mr. Elmer in death were a son, Edgar, who passed away in infancy; a sister, Mrs. John Stratz, Fond du Lac, and a half-sister, Mrs. Louise Kleiner. s

Final rites were conducted at 1:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the home and at 2 in the German Reformed church. Rev. A. Muehlmeier, pastor of the church, officiated and interment was in Highland cemetery.