

Mrs. Louisa Elmer, 83, Dies Sunday; Rites Set for Today

Dec. 3, 1871 – May 8, 1955

Mrs. Louisa Elmer, 83 years of age, lifelong resident of Monticello and the surrounding area, passed away at 9 Sunday morning at the St. Clare hospital, Monroe, following a short illness.

Mrs. Elmer had been hospitalized for one week.

A native of Washington township, Louisa Karlen was born on the Karlen homestead farm Dec. 3, 1871, the daughter of Rudolph and Magdalene Klossner Karlen. She attended the Marty rural school. On Nov. 4, 1897, she was united in marriage to Henry H. Elmer. The couple farmed two miles southwest of Monticello until 1908, when they moved to the village to make their home.

An active member of various religious groups, as long as her health permitted, Mrs. Elmer was a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church, its Ladies' Aid Society and the Women's Missionary Society. She was a life and patron member of the Women's Guild and a life member of the Young People's Missionary Society. She had earlier been active in the Sunday school and played the organ for Sunday school for 10 years.

Mrs. Elmer is survived by three brothers, Jacob, Glendive, Mont, and Herman L. and Fred A. Karlen, Monticello, and two sisters, Mrs. Jacob Thompson and Hulda Karlen, San Bernardino, Calif. She was preceded in death by her husband, June 27, 1941, and two brothers, William, in May, 1924, and Ernest, in April, 1927.

Funeral Services Today

Funeral services will beheld at 2 this (Thursday) afternoon in the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church. The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, church pastor, will officiate, and, burial will be in, Highland cemetery. Pallbearers will be Arthur Holcomb, Alfred Keller Jr., Henry C Klassy, Emil G. Voegeli, Joe J. Voegeli and Dick L. Zentner.