

## **EMMA GAFNER**

**July 11, 1915 - January 5, 1999**

Emma Gafner, age 93 of Monticello, died Tuesday, January 5, 1999 at her home.

Emma was born July 11, 1915 in Koniz, Switzerland, daughter of the late Christian and Emma (Voegeli) Nydegger. She married Christian Gafner on March 16, 1940 in Niedersherli, Switzerland. He preceded her in death on August 11, 1991. Emma immigrated to Postville, Wisconsin on December 1, 1955. She and her husband farmed in several locations before settling in Monticello in 1964. Mrs. Gafner was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello.

Survivors include two sons, Armin (Sharon) Gafner, Brooklyn; Urs (Mary) Gafner, Monticello; a daughter, Terri (George) Hooper, Narragansett, Rhode Island; ten grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and a sister, Hedwig Gurtner, Hunibach, Switzerland,

In addition to her husband she was preceded in death by three brothers, Werner, Hans, and Paul Nydegger.

Memorial services were held Saturday, January 9, 1999, at Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, with Rev. Lawrence Balleine officiating. Interment will be held in Highland Cemetery, Monticello. A memorial fund has been established in Emma's name for Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello.