

FRED E. GEMPELER

Aug. 13, 1906 - Oct: 12, 1985

Fred E. Gempeler, 79, Monticello, died Saturday, Oct: 12, 1985, at St. Clare Hospital. Monroe. He had been in failing health since July.

Born Aug. 13, 1906, he was a lifelong resident of Washington Township. He was the son of Ernest and Emma (Stauffer) Gempeler. He attended Monticello public schools and married the former Evelyn Rote, Oct. 20, 1932, in Footville. He retired from farming in 1976.

He was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ, the Zwingli Choir and a former Church Consistory member. He also was active in the Green County Harmony Chorus, Monroe Swiss Singers and the Green County United Church Chorus. He was a former supervisor of Washington Township.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn; two daughters, Mrs. Kermit (Ruth E.) Marty, Madison, and Mrs. William (Emilie L.) Erb, Cross Plains; two sons, Ralph F., rural Monticello, and Ernest M., Monticello; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by four sisters, Louise Gempeler, Sept. 5, 1958, and Mrs. Raymond (Frieda) Luchsinger, Jan. 23, 1964, and twin sisters in infancy.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Zwingli United Church of Christ with the Rev. Erwin H. Pegel officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Paul Erb, Monroe, Steven and David Erb, Cross Plains, James, Jeff and Thomas Gempeler, Monticello, and Craig Marty, Dubuque, Iowa.