

Edward C. Hefty, 86, Esteemed Resident of Area, Dies; Rites Held

Funeral services for Edward C. Hefty, 86 years of age, esteemed Washington township native, who passed away at 10:30 last Wednesday evening in the Monroe Manor Nursing Home, were held at 2 Sunday afternoon at the Zwingli United Church of Christ here.

The Rev. J. Allan Mittler, church pastor, officiated, and interment was in Highland cemetery. Pallbearers were Alvin R. Bernet, Robert Holcomb, Sr., Merlyn Rufer, Edwin Saxer, Robert J. Zimmerman and Clarence Zweifel.

In declining health for a number of years Mr. Hefty became quite ill April 24 and had been hospitalized before going to the nursing home.

He was born on the Hefty homestead farm in Washington township, Oct. 16, 1882, a son of Henry and Sarah Ott Hefty. He attended the Marty rural school. On May 6, 1908, he was united in marriage to Susan Stauffacher, who preceded him in death in 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Hefty farmed in Washington township for many years. He lived at the Grand Central hotel here for a number of years and had resided the past few years with his son and daughter-in-law. Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Hefty, Washington. township.

Confirmed in the Washington Reformation church, Mr. Hefty was a member of the Zwingli United Church of Christ here.

Mr. Hefty served as a member of the Marty school board for many years.

He is survived by three sons, Henry C. and Werner T., Monticello, and Roy E., Orangeville, Ill.; one daughter, Mrs. Werner (Frieda) Brunner, Madison; one brother, Thomas Hefty, New Glarus; one sister, Mrs. Andrew Hoesly, New Glarus; one half-sister, Mrs. Mary Gmur, New Glarus; two half-brothers, Fred H. and Henry Stuessy, New Glarus; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, in 1892, his mother, in 1941; his wife, in 1937, a grandson, William Hefty, in 1961, and two brothers, Anton and William Hefty.