Rosina Jordan

Sept. 27, 1842 - Jan. 30, 1918

In the death of Mrs. William Jordan, brief mention of which was made in last week's issue of The Messenger, there passed from the scenes of earth one of the early pioneers of this vicinity and a woman of worth who, for more than half a century, had made her home within the borders of the village,

Rosina Zwickey was born in the Canton of Glarus, Switzerland, on Sept. 27, 1842, emigrating to this country with her, parents when but seven years of age. She was baptized in the land of her nativity and was confirmed with a class at New Glarus a few years after the arrival of the family in this county.

It was in 1849 that the family came to America, and in the same year they settled upon a tract of land three miles northwest of Monticello. Here it was that the subject of this sketch grew to young womanhood, remaining with her parents on the old homestead farm until her marriage to William Jordan, which occurred at the Methodist parsonage, Monroe, on Oct. 12, 1865. Since that time she had always lived in Monticello.

The deceased was the mother of five sons—George, William, Fred, Arthur and Charles. George and Arthur passed away in infancy, while William answered the final summons about a year ago.

She is survived by two sons, Fred and Charles A . and one sister, Mrs, Henry Holdrich, all of this village, and one brother, Eli Zwickey, of Evansville. She is also survived by five grandchildren.

Mrs. Jordan was a woman of many commendable qualities, and the news of her death was received with genuine sorrow by those whom she numbered among her friends and acquaintances. In her death the community loses a woman who was ever kind and congenial, and the bereaved family a woman who was to them all that a wife and mother could be.

The deceased passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1918, following a period of failing health which had its inception about a year and a half ago. She suffered from a complication of disorders, but not until a week or ten days before her death did her condition assume a critical aspect. Funeral services were held from the family home at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon, Rev. A. Muehlmeier officiating. Burial was in Highland cemetery. A large number of relatives and friends were present at the last sad rites.