

SELMER LIEN

Dec. 1, 1899 - Sept. 27, 1978

Selmer Lien, 88, Monticello, died Wednesday, Sept. 27, 1978 in Pleasant View Nursing Home. He had been hospitalized since Aug. 2, after suffering a fall at his home and on Aug. 24 he entered Pleasant View.

Lien was born in Adams Township on Dec. 1, 1899, the son of Christian and Karine Olson Lien. He was a graduate of Blanchardville High School and attended classes one year at Augsburg College in Minneapolis. He had been a barber for five years in Blanchardville.

On Dec. 23, 1913 he was married to the former Christine E. Gilbertson at the Hollandale Lutheran Church. They farmed for 21 years near Freda, N.D., and returned to Wisconsin in 1935. They farmed in the Blanchardville and Albany areas before moving to Monticello in 1949. He worked as a DHIA milk tester until retiring in 1965 .

Upon retiring he became interested in drawing and painting and attended evening classes at the Monticello School. He exhibited many of his oil paintings and was known as "Green County's Grandpa Moses."

Funeral services were held Saturday, Sept. 30 at Zwingli United Church of Christ. Rev. Ronald Nybrotten, New Glarus, officiated. Burial was in York Memorial Lutheran Church Cemetery, rural Blanchardville. A memorial fund in his name has been established.

Voegeli Funeral Service was in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Thomas Brusveen and Mrs. Sylvia Rosen, both of Monticello and Mrs. Ralph Einerson, Ft. Pierce, Fla.; a son, Otis Lien, Cheyenne Wells Colo.; nine grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.. He was preceded in death by his wife in 1957; two sons, Kermit Lien in 1968 and Howard in 1978; three brothers, one sister, one grandson and one great granddaughter.

Pallbearers were Allen Einerson, Madison; John J. Haldiman, Monroe; James R. Haddinger and Maynard Kittleson, Albany; Wilbur Ludwig, Sycamore, Ill., and Gordon R. Rosen, Grand Rapids, Mich. Honorary pallbearers were Chic Lien, Marvin Lien, Thomas Hever and John Johnson, all grandsons.