

Gerald L. "Jerry" Mayer
September 1, 1923 - July 13, 1998

Gerald L. "Jerry" Mayer, age 74, Monroe, formerly of Monticello, died Monday July 13, 1998 at Pleasant View Nursing Home.

Gerald was born September 1, 1923 in Monroe, son of Clarence and Maude (Kleckler) Mayer. He attended Montgomery School in rural Browntown. He married Rosetta Baertschi on December 8, 1944. He then married Pauline Bennett on February 16, 1974 in Monticello. She preceded him in death on June 28, 1997.

Mr. Mayer farmed in the Green County area for 20 years before purchasing the Citgo station of Monticello in 1965. He operated that business until 1972. Gerald drove milk truck for Minder and Durtschi Cheese Factory, Monticello, for 17 years before retiring in 1985. He then worked for the Monticello Recycling Center for 3 years.

He was a member of the Monticello Lions Club and a former member of the Monticello Fire Department. He was also a member of Mt. Olive Evangelical Lutheran Church of Monroe.

Survivors include nine children, Sharon Andrews, Orangeville; Edward (Ann) Mayer, Potosi; Marsha (Gordon) Gempeler, Monroe, Kristine Strehlow, West Bend; Rebecca Neuenschwander, Orangeville; Diane (Dewey) Curran, Browntown; Timothy (Stacy) Mayer, Albany; Melanie Drake, Orfordville; Michelle (James) Stauffacher, Albany; three step-children, Louise (Robert) Weeden, Monroe; Juanita (Bernie) Puder, Viroqua; Vivian (Don) Riley, Auburn, CA.; 25 grandchildren, 4 step-grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren; 12 step-great-grandchildren; a half-brother, Jeffrey (Marge) Mayer, Winslow, a sister, Vivian (Chuck) Gutsall, Rockford; and his step-mother, Florence "Flossy" Olson, Monroe.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Delbert Mayer; a daughter Jaquelyn in infancy; and a nephew, Gary Sandley.

Funeral services were held Thursday, July 16, at the Voegeli-Newcomer Funeral Home, Monticello. Pastor Michael Wolfe of Mt. Olive Evangelical Lutheran Church, Monroe, officiated. Interment was in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

A memorial fund has been established in Gerald's name.