

John Moritz

July 29, 1872 – October 15, 1956

John Moritz, 84, Former Resident of Monticello, Expires

Failing health for five months, augmented by a fractured hip three weeks ago, claimed the life of John Moritz, 84, years of age, New Glarus, a resident of Monticello for many years, at 1:45 p. m. Monday in the St. Clare hospital, Monroe, where he had been a patient since Sept. 21.

Funeral Wednesday

Funeral services were held at 2 yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon in the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church here. The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, church pastor, officiated, and burial was in the Washington Reformed church cemetery. Pallbearers were Alvin Moritz, Monroe, Delbert Moritz, C. W. Loveland, Frank Loveland, Monticello, William Becker and Fred Becker, Palmyra.

A highly esteemed Monticello resident for many years, John moved to New Glarus in 1951 to live with a granddaughter, Mrs. Isaac Alderman.

Born in Washington township, July 29, 1872, he was the son of John and Mary Ruby Moritz. He attended the Purcell rural school. On Nov. 27, 1900, he was united in marriage in the Washington Reformed church to Anna Marty. Mr. and Mrs. Moritz farmed in Washington township until 1927, when they retired and moved to Monticello. Upon moving here, Mr. Moritz worked as a carpenter for the Karlen & Steinmann Lumber company, retiring in 1948.

A jovial, friendly and soft spoken individual, John was well liked and held in high esteem by all of his many acquaintances.

Was Town Chairman

While he farmed in Washington township, Mr. Moritz served as town chairman, was a member of the county board of supervisors, was treasurer of the Washington Reformed church, and was a past president of the Mt. Pleasant Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Mr. Moritz is survived by three grandchildren, Mrs. Isaac Alderman, New Glarus, with whom he made his home, Mrs. William Weller, Wautoma, and Richard Moritz, Monroe; two brothers, Albert, Monticello, and Fred, Florida; one sister, Mrs. John C. Becker, Palmyra, and seven great-grandchildren

He was preceded in death by his wife in 1935; two sons, Ernest in 1942 and Herman in 1912; two sisters, Mrs. Otto Loveland and Mrs. John Schuler; and one grandson, Carl Moritz. 1930.