

Myrtle L. Pierce

May 9, 1882 - September 27, 1965

Mrs. Myrtle Pierce, 83, Dies; Rites Today

Mrs. Myrtle L. Pierce, 83, a long-time resident of Monticello, but who had lived in Monroe since 1948, died Monday, Sept. 27, at 1:15 p. m. at the Monroe Manor where she had resided since Sept. 8.

Death was caused by old age complications. She had been in failing health the past year.

Myrtle L. Cotherman was born on a farm in Monroe township on May 9, 1882, a daughter of Thomas and Susan Ball Cotherman. She was a graduate of the Monroe high school with the class of 1902 and then taught school for two years at the Voegeli school, near Monticello, and the Prairie View school, near Argyle.

On April 6, 1904, she was united in marriage to Frank Pierce, the ceremony taking place at Freeport, Ill. They lived on the Pierce farm at the south edge of Monticello until moving to Monroe.

She is survived by one son, Raymond F. Pierce, who lived with his mother, and one grandson, James F. Pierce, with the U. S. Air Force at San Antonio, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Nov. 3, 1955, three brothers, Bradford, in infancy, Frank, 1919, and Ernest, 1957; and by five sisters, Nellie, in infancy, Mrs. W. P. (Lilly) Bartlet, 1928, Mrs. Lulu Kuhns, 1942, Miss Susan, 1945, and Mrs. John (Maimie) Geigel, 1957.

Funeral Services Thursday

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p. m. today (Thursday) at the Voegeli funeral home, Monticello. The Rev. B. L. Holling, pastor of the Grace. EUB church, Monticello, will officiate. Interment will be in Highland cemetery here. Pallbearers will be Selmer Bowman and Ernest Brunkow, Monroe, Stillman Huntley, James Pierce and Jacob Wittenwyler, Monticello, and John C. Schmidt, Brodhead.