

## **Adolph Anton (Tony) Schmid**

**Feb. 6, 1888 - Feb. 9, 1981**

Adolph (Tony) Schmid, 93, a resident of the New Glarus Home died Monday, Feb. 9, in the home.

He was born in Canton Bern, Switzerland, the son of Anton and Elizabeth Schmid-Schmid on Feb. 6, 1888. He came to America with his family on April 2, 1891 settling in Green County.

He worked as a farm laborer on area farms and later worked as a fence builder. A confirmed member of the Monticello Reformed Church in 1905 he was the last of the charter members of the Zwingli United Church of Christ, Mt. Vernon.

Survivors are one brother John C. Schmid, rural Brodhead.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Feb. 12, in Zwingli Church, Mt. Vernon. Rev. Paul H. Schele officiated and burial was in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Preceding him in death were his father, a brother, Albert, and two sister, who were killed Nov. 11, 1911, in a cyclone which struck at Hanover. Also, his mother, another brother, Sam during World War I; two sisters, Frieda in 1910 and Rose in 1904, and three brothers and sisters in infancy.

Pallbearers were Willis H. Babler, Edwin Schlittler, Kermit Kammerer, Glenn H. Schmid, Gilman Schmid and Jacob Wittenwyler.

*NOTE: The below article is from an early Monticello Messenger.*

### **November 15, 1911**

The bodies of Anton Schmid and his three children, Elsie, Albert and Regina, who lost their lives in the terrific tornado which swept the vicinity of Hanover on Saturday last, were brought to Monticello for burial on the noon train yesterday, and their remains were interred side by side in one grave in the new cemetery. Anton Schmid, the father, was a native of Switzerland. Mrs. Schmid passed away in 1904, and prior to the terrible calamity which befell the family on the 11th, six of the twelve children born to them had already answered death's summons. The surviving members of the family are Adolph, 23 years of age, Samuel, 17, and John 15. Besides the Schmid's, at least 5 other persons were killed. This was the most devastating storm ever to hit southern Wisconsin.