Mathias Voegeli April 4, 1860 – June 1939

Death Claims Aged Monticello Citizen; Conduct Final Rites Mathias Voegeli Passes in Madison After Long Illness

Funeral services for Mathias Voegeli, 79 years of age, a well known and highly esteemed resident of Monticello for nearly 30 years; who passed away Friday in a Madison hospital following an illness with pneumonia and complications relative to advanced years, were conducted at 1:30 Monday afternoon at the Voegeli funeral home and at 2 in the Zwingli Reformed church. Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, church pastor, officiated. Interment was in the Railroad avenue cemetery.

Mr. Voegeli had not been in the best of health for the past six months and began to fail noticeably the past six weeks or two months. He was taken to a Madison hospital a number of days prior to his death for treatment which failed to restore his failing health.

Native of Switzerland

Mr. Voegeli was a native of Switzerland, having been born in Rugu, Canton Glarus, April 4, 1860, the son of Fred and Sarah Kundert Voegeli. At the age of nine years he accompanied his parents to America. They settled in New Glarus and later moved to Monroe. On March 10, 1881, he was united in marriage to Miss Emma Bloom, the ceremony taking place in Monroe. Following their marriage the couple followed the vocation of farming, making their home on a farm in Exeter township for 30 years. They retired in 1911, moving to Monticello, where they since resided, leaving the management of their farm in the hands of a son, Thomas Voegeli. The deceased was always regarded among the progressive and industrious farmers of Exeter township.

A Severe Shock

The sudden death of Mr. Voegeli came as a severe shock to his many friends in this community. Through his unquestionable honesty and indelible character Mr. Voegeli established a large circle of friends and acquaintances. He was a considerate husband and father and a neighbor who was always willing to lend a helping hand.

Surviving besides the bereaved widow are five daughters, Mrs. Wilbert S. Hoesly, Monticello; Mesdames Fred Hoesly and Elizabeth Schultz, Brooklyn, and Mesdames Edward Gmur and Fred Stuessy, New Glarus; two sons, Thomas, Exeter township, and Fred, New Glarus; 18 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Mr. Voegeli is the last member of his family, having been preceded in death by his parents, five brothers and three sisters.

Mr. Voegeli was a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church, Monticello.