

JACOB ALFRED WETTACH

Jacob Alfred Wettach, age 81, New Glarus, passed away on Monday, October 14, 2002 at St. Mary's Medical Center, Madison.

He was born April 3, 1921 in Exeter Township, Green County, the eldest son of Alfred and Babetta (Lopacher) Wettach, both Swiss Immigrants. He attended the Purcell School. On January 8, 1946 he was united in marriage to the former Irma Huntley, Monticello. Jake and Irma owned and operated a dairy farm near Belleville until 1999, when they moved to New Glarus. He continued to work part time at LSI. He was an active member of the First United Church of Christ, Belleville, Belleville Community Club, New Glarus Fraternal order of Eagles and the Monroe Moose Lodge. Jake was a charter member of the Wilhelm Tell cast, serving 54 years including the 2002 pageant. He enjoyed hard work, chopping wood, bowling, hunting, and being with his grandchildren. Jake was an avid baseball fan and Packer Backer.

He is survived by his wife Irma, a son Edward and daughter-in-law Lisa Wettach, New Glarus. A daughter Elois and son-in-law Joe Seaman, Bonner Springs, KS. Grandchildren: Megan, Cole and Logan Wettach, Samuel and Melissa Seaman. A sister: Rosie Coffey, Madison, two sisters-in-law: Helen Wettach, Monticello, and Evelyn Bidlingmaier, Monroe. A brother and sister-in-law Leland and Margaret Huntley, Brodhead, several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother John Wettach, a brother-in-law Robert Coffey, brother and sister-in-law Lawrence and Florence Huntley, and a brother-in-law Lawrence Bidlingmaier.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, October 17, 2002 at the First United Church of Christ, Belleville. The Rev. William Macintyre officiated with burial in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Zenter-Beal Funeral Home, New Glarus served the family.