Rudolph Zimmerman Jan. 16, 1856 – April 1934

Rudy Zimmerman, Well Known Local Man, Passes Away End Comes Early Tuesday Afternoon Following Long Illness

After an illness of approximately six months' duration, Rudolph Zimmerman, 78 years of age, highly esteemed resident of Monticello, was claimed by death at about 1 o'clock Monday afternoon.

A few months ago Mr. Zimmerman had been a medical patient for several weeks in a Madison hospital where it was discovered that his affliction was of an incurable nature and his end was regarded as only a matter of time. Since his dismissal from the hospital, Mr. Zimmerman had been confined much of the time.

A native of Switzerland, Mr. Zimmerman was born Jan. 16, 1856, the son of Peter J. and Anna Hefty Zimmerman. He was accompanied by his parents to America when he was only four years old, the family settling in New Glarus. Mr. Zimmerman was united in marriage to Fannie Zimmerman in Monticello Jan. 16, 1881. For a number of years, the couple resided on a farm near Monroe and for many years they conducted the Zimmerman farm in Attica which is now owned and operated by their oldest son, E. G. Zimmerman.

A man whose kindly disposition and rugged honesty won the lasting friendship of a large circle of acquaintances, Mr. Zimmerman will long be remembered as a citizen of sterling worth and high character, his passing serving to emphasis his many outstanding qualities. Mr. Zimmerman was. affiliated with the local Reformed church, which he served as janitor for three years, and he was also a member of the Masonic lodge of Monticello.

Besides the widow, Mr. Zimmerman is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Charles L. Peterson, Evansville: two sons, E. G. Zimmerman, Attica, and Lee R. Zimmerman, Chicago: two brothers, Peter Zimmerman, Monticello, and John Zimmerman, Beloit; and two sisters, Mrs. Michael Moser, Monticello, and Mrs. Rosa Zwickey, Albany. He was preceded in death by the parents; a son, Peter, who died in infancy, and one sister, Mrs. Henry A. Edgar, whose death occurred nearly six years ago.

Masonic funeral rites were conducted at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the home and at 2 in the Reformed church. Rev. A. Muehlmeier, pastor of the church, officiated and burial was in Highland cemetery.