

Monday, March 29, 1943

Funeral Tuesday 2 pm for Mrs. Nicholas Rich
Cerebral Hemorrhage Fatal Saturday to Well Known Berne Lady

Mrs. Elizabeth Rich, 69, widow of the late Nicholas Rich, passed away at her home on North Jefferson Street on Saturday afternoon at 3:20 o'clock following a cerebral hemorrhage which she suffered twelve hours earlier. Mrs. Rich had been in her usual health on Friday and was about her home as usual. During the night, between 2 and 3 o'clock Saturday morning, she suffered the stroke and hourly her condition grew more grave until death Saturday afternoon.

The deceased was a native of Henry County, Ohio, where she was born on April 14, 1873, bringing her age to 69 years, 11 month and 13 days. She was a daughter of Dan and Mary Lininger-Bailey, both deceased. The family moved to this community while Mrs. Rich was still in her youth.

Her marriage to Mr. Rich occurred on April 26, 1894. Their union was broken eight years ago at the time of Mr. Rich's death. They were prominent as farmers in Monroe Township northeast of town, on a splendid farm now occupied by their son William and family. Following the death of her husband, Mrs. Rich moved to town here and resided in a comfortable home on North Jefferson Street, sharing the past few years with her brother Jacob Bailey.

Surviving are two children, William and Ida, wife of Rufus Nussbaum, both residing in Monroe Township northeast of town. There are also twelve grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Brothers and sisters surviving are Jacob Bailey of this place, Daniel of Van Wert, Ohio, Mrs. Lydia Houghton of California, John of Adrian, Mich., and Sam of Monroe Township.

A daughter, Mrs. Edna Beer, preceded her as did a sister, Mrs. Paul Gerber and a brother and sister in infancy.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1:45 o'clock from the home and at 2:00 o'clock from the Cross Reformed Church of which she was a member. Burial will be in MRE Cemetery. Rev. C. A. Schmid will officiate.

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