

Fred Zurcher Dies After Brief Illness

Fred F. Zurcher, 77, of Berne, died shortly before noon Monday at the Adams county memorial hospital following a short illness. He was employed by the Gottschalk Supply Co. for a number of years and formerly was a farmer.

Mr. Zurcher, a lifelong resident of the Berne community, was a member of the Winchester U. B. church, northwest of Berne.

Surviving are his wife, the former Martha Valentine; two sons, the Rev. Reuben Zurcher of Zanesville, and Carl Zurcher of Huntington; a daughter, Mrs. Howard Bluhm of Berne route 1; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; three brothers, John of Berne, and Chris and William Zurcher, both of Monroe township, and four sisters, Mrs. John Soldner and Mrs. Homer Steiner of Monroe township, Mrs. Melvin Johnson of Decatur, and Mrs. Mary Bracht of Fort Wayne.

Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the Winchester U. B. church, the Rev. Carey Knittle officiating. Burial will be in the MRE cemetery at Berne. Friends may call at the Yager funeral home after 7:30 p.m. today.