

Monday, November 20, 1939

Leah Lochner Claimed by Death

Grandmother and Aunt of Local People Dies on Sunday

Mrs. Leah Lochner, 71, aunt of Mrs. Grover Neuenschwander and grandmother of Miss Lucille Sprunger, residing with the Hiram A. Sprunger family here, died of a stroke of paralysis Sunday at 2:30 pm at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Kruetzman of Preble Township. She had been ill for six weeks.

The decedent was born in Adams County on April 10, 1868, the daughter of Elrich and Elizabeth Steffen Neuenschwander. Her marriage to Samuel Lochner, who died October 12, 1926, took place at Decatur on May 12, 1888.

She was a member of the St. Luke's Evangelical Reformed Church in Kirkland Township.

Surviving are the daughter; one son, Ervin of near Decatur; four brothers, Pete, Fred, and Joel Neuenschwander of near Bluffton and Solomon Neuenschwander of Fort Wayne.

One daughter, Mrs. Sylvia Sprunger and three brothers preceded.

The body was removed to the Jahn Funeral Home at Bluffton and was to be returned to the daughter's home this evening.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday at 12:30 pm at the Magley Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church following a short service at the home with Rev. H. H. Meckstroth and Rev. David Grether officiating. Burial will be in the Leo Cemetery in Allen County.