

Monday, May 25, 1942

Emma Erhart Dies Sunday at French Township Home
Funeral Wednesday for Widow of the Late Julius Erhart

Mrs. Emma Erhart, 73, widely known French Township woman and widow of the late Julius Erhart, died at 10:20 o'clock Sunday evening at her home four miles north and three and one-half miles west of Berne. Death was caused by complications. She had been sick the last four months but was bedfast only one week. Mrs. Erhart lived on the same farm where she died for nearly fifty years, or ever since her marriage.

The deceased was born in French Township, October 17, 1868, the daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Shifferly Zaugg. She was married to Julius Erhart in October of 1893. He preceded a few years ago.

Surviving are the following children: Mrs. Dula Presdorf, French Township; Harry Erhart, Wapakoneta, Ohio; Mrs. Mary Adams, Decatur, Mrs. Frieda Golden, at home; Gorman Erhart, at home. Six grandchildren survive. They are Don and Robert Presdorf, Bernice Engle, Maxine and Kenneth Erhart and Marjorie Miller.

One sister, Mrs. Jonas Hoffman of Decatur, route 4, a half-sister, Sarah Stepler of Mansfield, Ohio and a half-brother, Dan Stepler of Decatur rural route, also survive.

The parents, the husband, a son Lester, a brother Philip, a half-sister, Mrs. Mary Heiliking and three half-brothers, William Otto and John Stepler, preceded.

The body was brought to the Yager Mortuary here and will be returned to the home late this afternoon.

The funeral will be held Wednesday at 1:30 pm at the home and at 2:00 o'clock at the St. Luke Evangelical and Reformed Church. Burial will be in the Decatur Cemetery. Rev. H. H. Meckstroth will officiate.

Friday, June 12, 1942

Heart Disease Proves Fatal to George Rumpel
Former Berne Man, Brother of Two Local Ladies, Dies

George Rumple, 75, a resident of Berne for many years and formerly well known as a teamster, died Thursday at 10:00 o'clock at his home in Portland. Death was due to heart trouble. Mr. Rumple had been ill for the past year.

Mr. Rumple had resided at Portland for many years, moving to Jay County from Berne. For the past few years, he was associated with Bessie Ford in the collection of antiques.

The deceased was a son of Jacob and Elizabeth Cook Rumple and was born here on July 12, 1866.

He is survived by one brother and four sisters, Perry Rumple of Wabash, Indiana; Mrs. Jane Tucker and Mrs. Gideon Riesen of Berne; Mrs. Oscar Augsburger of Fort Wayne and Mrs. Harry Shalley of Bluffton, Ohio. One brother is deceased.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Baird Chapel at Portland. Interment will be made in Green Park Cemetery.

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