

ALBERT ZIRBLE IS DEAD

11-13-1925

Was Respected Citizen Of The G-H Community

Albert Frederick Zirble was born in Germany on March 26th, 1845 and died at the home of his son A. G. Zirble on Monday morning, November 2nd, 1925, aged 80 years, 7 months, and 8 days.

He grew to manhood in Germany where also he was happily married to Sophia Utich on February 14th, 1867. To this union were born eleven children, one of whom passed away in infancy. Three of the children were born in Germany.

In 1872, he and his family, came to America, settling in Illinois where they lived for twelve years before coming to Iowa in 1884. Here they settled on a farm 5 miles northeast of Montezuma where they lived for 20 years and where they reared their family. The health of Mrs. Zirble being poor they moved to Montezuma in the year 1903. Montezuma continued to be their home until the passing of the wife in 1912. Since the death of his companion, he has made his home with the children, the last 4 years being spent on the farm with Gus where he has had patient, kind and loving care.

All through his life he was rugged and sturdy in body, never having had any sickness until of late years. The last three or four years has seen him in failing health as old age and its accompaniments crept upon him.

Mr. Zirble was an industrious, honest, upright, clean man holding the respect and love of his neighbors and townspeople alike. He came to America penniless and by his industry and thrift supported his large family and gained himself a home. He was confirmed and joined the Luthern Church when he was young. Since he has lived here he has attended the Methodist church. He was a father on whom anyone could be proud and the memory of his honest industrious life will be an incentive to upright living by his children.

There remain to mourn his departure the following children, A. G. and C. J. Zirble, of Montezuma; L. F. and J. B. Zirble and Mrs. James Duffus of Malcom; H. R. Zirble of Newton and E. F. Zirble of Houston, Texas; and G. A. Zirble of Minneapolis; William Zirble of Los Angeles and Mrs. Ida McClure of Ft. Collins, Colorado. Besides these there are nineteen grandchildren and four great grandchildren as well as a brother in Germany and other relatives and friends. All the children were present, except E. F. and William Zirble and Mrs. Ida McClure.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist Church on Wednesday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. A. H. Barker. Interment was made in the Montezuma cemetery by the side of his companion.