

Adams County (IN) Historical Museum Scrapbook
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AGED FARMER DIES SUDDENLY

John J. Schwartz, Aged 74, Dies Early Wednesday

John J. Schwartz, prominent member of the Amish church and well known retired farmer, died at his home 4 miles north and a short distance east of the tile mill here at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning. Death was sudden.

Mr. Schwartz had eaten breakfast and was sitting in his chair when death occurred. He had been in ill health for some time, but his death was very unexpected. Death was attributed to myocarditis.

Mr. Schwartz was born in Allen County but was a resident and farmer of this community about 25 years. He was a member of the Amish church.

His marriage to Katie Burkhalter was an event of about 49 years ago.

Surviving are the wife and nine children: Mrs. Peter C. (Anna) Schwartz of Berne; Mrs. Barbara Eicher at home; John J. Schwartz of near Monroe; Mrs. Sam J. (Elizabeth) Schwartz of near Monroe and Jacob of near Monroe. Still at home are Sam, Noah, Joe and Mrs. Noah (Mary) Schwartz.

One sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Gerig, and one brother, Sam Schwartz, also survive.

The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, burial in the Amish cemetery 3 miles north of Berne.

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25 OUT OF 30 PUPILS RELATED TO DECEASED MAN

An interesting sidelight on the John J. Schwartz funeral which was held last Friday, is the fact that out of the 30 pupils attending Monroe township Dist. No. 2 school, 25 of them were either grandchildren or otherwise closely related to Mr. Schwartz.

The 25 children attended the funeral, leaving just 5 to attend school that day, so the teacher, J. D. R. Schwartz dismissed the entire school for the day.

The aged Mr. Schwartz, who died suddenly, was a prominent retired farmer and well known throughout this community.