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G. VanBlarcom Dies Suddenly

Fatally Stricken
At Home April 2, 1952

Guy F. Van Blarcom, 71, well-known Sunfield township farmer, died suddenly at his home April 2. He had spent the last 58 years of his life in this area.

Born June 1, 1881 at Girard, Michigan, Mr. Van Blarcom was the son of Eugene and Cynthia Van Blarcom. At the age of 13, he came with his parents to Sunfield township to live.

In addition to farming all his life, Mr. Van Blarcom at one time operated his own threshing machine in this area. He was a township justice of the peace for several years and was to have been a candidate for re-election April 6.

On February 22, 1905 Mr. Van Blarcom married Bertha Gorham, who survives. The couple had seven children, all of whom are living. They are: Glenna Jones of Bellevue, Zelna Rose of Pontiac, Mabel Booher of Sunfield, Claude and Kenneth Van Blarcom and Josephine Oates of Vermontville.

Other survivors include: two brothers, Claude of Vermontville and Charlie of Harrison; two sisters, Edith Hunter and Mrs. Lena Baker of Vermontville; 23 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Mapes Funeral home Monday with Rev. Harley Townsend of Battle Creek officiating. Burial was in Sunfield cemetery.

Illness Fatal To Fay Childs

Dies Thursday in Lansing
After Five-Month Sickness

In failing health for the past five months, Fay C. Childs of Route 1, Vermontville succumbed to the illness last Thursday at a Lansing hospital.

Mr. Childs was born Feb. 14, 1880 in Kalamo township in Eaton county. His parents were Charles and Adelphe Childs. He spent his entire life in the Sunfield area.

On April 17, 1902, Mr. Childs married Nancy Hunter. The couple had four children, three of whom survive. One son died in infancy. Besides the widow, survivors are: one daughter, Julia, at home; two sons, Kenneth of Vermontville and Herbert, at home; and five grandchildren.

Rev. Edgar Whiteman of Spring Arbor officiated at the funeral services Tuesday at Mapes Funeral home. Bearers were Lloyd Steward, Vernon MacDonald, Claude Van Blarcom, Floyd Gearhart, Carroll Benedict and Harold Benedict.

Seymour Hartwell Dies Suddenly Tuesday

Seymour Hartwell, 85, retired Kalamo farmer, died unexpectedly Tuesday morning, Jan. 27, of a heart attack. He had been enjoying good health and was spending the winter at the home of his sisters, Mrs. Bertrand Young and Miss Amy Hartwell.

Funeral services will be held at the Ward funeral home in Vermontville at 2 p. m. Friday, with burial in Kalamo cemetery.

Mr. Hartwell came, at the age of six years, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hartwell, to their home in West Kalamo and there he grew up. In February, 1897, he was married to Miss Cora Mix and they had one son, Sumner. Following the death of his wife Mr. Hartwell had made his home with his son and family.

Surviving besides the son and sisters are three grandchildren, Jack, recently returned from service, John, at home, and Miss Phyllis Hartwell, employed in Lansing.