

THOMAS ZELL OF NEAR⁷²⁶ WEST MIDDLETON DIES⁷²

Thomas Zell, 73, a life-long resident of Howard County, died at 2 a m. Saturday in Memorial Hospital in Peru following an illness of a week. He had been a patient in a Peru nursing home for the past five years. Prior to that time he made his home in West Middleton.

He was born Sept. 8, 1878, in Howard County, the son of Jacob and Mildred (Amos) Zell. He married Louise Wilson who preceded him in death.

Survivors are two sons, Claude of West Middleton, and Edgar of Bloomington, Ill ; two brothers, Amos Zell of Kentland, Emmett Zell of Waukegan, Ill ; and one sister, Mrs. Ida Reich of West Middleton. Two brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

Until his retirement 16 years ago, he had been engaged in farming near West Middleton. He was a member of the West Middleton Methodist Church.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a m. Monday in the Methodist Church in West Middleton with burial in New London.