

**Agnes Gronborg, 94**

Feb. 21, 1915 - Feb. 1, 2010

**AVOCA** — Agnes Christine Gronborg was born on February 21, 1915 in rural Shelby County to L. Chris and Anna (Christiansen) Hansen. She attended the Avoca schools and played basketball when the girls won the 1931 State Basketball Championship. She was the valedictorian of the graduating Class of 1932. Agnes continued her education at the American Institute of Business in Des Moines, and went to work in the Iowa-Nebraska Light and Power district office in Avoca.

June 2, 1940, Agnes was united in marriage to Lawrence Gronborg at the English Lutheran Church in Avoca. Three children were born to this union: Ann, Jean, and Lynn. In addition to running the household and taking care of her children, Agnes helped her husband with the farming operation. They were active in soil and water conservation. Agnes was a very active member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca. Once they retired from farming, they traveled to every state in the union as well as Mexico, Canada, Switzerland, and several of the islands in the Caribbean. She moved to Peace Haven Retirement Home in 1997. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and was excited to watch her granddaughter play in the state basketball tournament seventy years after she had done the same thing. Agnes became a resident of the Avoca Assisted Living in November of 2003 and moved to the Nursing and Rehab Center in May of 2008. It was there that she died on Monday, February 1, 2010, having attained the age of ninety-four years, eleven months, and eleven days.

Agnes was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Lawrence, great-granddaughter Ashley, sister Bernice, brother Harold, brother-in-law Wilbert Jacobsen, and sister-in-law Elaine Hansen. She is survived by her daughters: Ann and her husband Bill Roof of Avoca, and Jean and her husband Malcolm Clarrissimeaux of Dallas, TX; son Lynn Gronborg and his wife Callie of Avoca; five grandchildren: Neil Roof and his significant other Amanda Young, Elizabeth and her husband Gavin Graham, Angela and her husband Michael Harder, Kristina and her husband Todd Williams and Sarah Gronborg; five great-grandchildren: Dustin Roof, Kaitlyn, Kourtney, and Kristen Graham, and Alexandria Harder; sister Irma and her husband Laverne Kock of Avoca; other family members and friends.

Pastor Dennis Reich officiated the 10:00



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AM funeral service on Friday, February 5, 2010 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca. Honorary casket bearers were Angela Harder, Donovan Sievers, Kristina Williams, Beth Graham, and Sarah Gronborg. Serving as casket bearers were Neil Roof, Dustin Roof, Todd Williams, Mike Harder, D.O., Clark McGrath, John Nielsen, and Gavin Graham. Interment was held at Graceland Cemetery in Avoca.



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