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Ella Dorothy Mecklenburg, 98

Dec. 15, 1892 — April 16, 1991

AVOCA – Ella Dorothy Mecklenburg was born on a farm between Avoca and Shelby, in Shelby county, Dec. 15, 1892. She was the daughter of Herman and Amelia (Dobernecker) Mecklenburg. There were nine children in the family, two brothers and six sisters. She was a telephone operator for the telephone company in Avoca for about eight years. She and her sister, Emma lived on the southside of Avoca, most of their lives. She died at the Colonial Manors Nursing Home in Avoca April 16, 1991, at age 98 years. She had been a resident of the home since June of 1982.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Herman Mecklenburg and Carl Tanke and six sisters; Nadie Pickerill, Minnie Gorman, Emma Mecklenburg, Lydia Nieman, Josephine Gaines and Elsie Schmidt. Survivors include nieces and nephews; William Gorman (Florence), Ruth (John) Naylor, Francis Pickerill (Ruby) and Vera Preston and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 19, 1991 at the Knutson Funeral Chapel in Avoca with Pastor Dean Sudman, officiating. Burial was in the Graceland cemetery in Avoca. Casketbearers were Harold Dobernecker, Jim Gorman, Larry Morris, Lloyd Petersen, Robert O'Neill, and Tom O'Neill. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.