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Minnie B. Nieman, 94

AVOCA – Minnie B. Nieman was born near Hancock, Aug. 11, 1895. She was the daughter of Fred and Bertha Klindt Habicht. She was one of nine children in the family. In 1905 the family moved to a farm northeast of Avoca. Here she grew up, attended a rural school through the third grade and graduated from the 8th grade and high school in Avoca. In 1917 she graduated from the University of Iowa with a B.S., in education. Teaching became her vocation and she taught at Corning, Muscatine and Avoca.

In 1922 she married Will H. Nieman. They purchased her family farm northeast of Avoca. Here they lived and farmed until they retired in 1959, when they moved to their home in Avoca. She was very active in the church and the community. She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca, where she taught in the Sunday School, active in the Womens' Fellowship as well as many other activities of the church. She was also a

member of the American Legion Auxiliary, PEO and the Library board. Will died Dec. 8, 1979. Jan. 1, 1980, she became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan, where she died March 27, 1990 at age 94 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Will; five sisters, Martha Petersen, Helen Paulsen, Bertha Brunnier, Gretschen Graves and Emma McKinney; three brothers, Carl Habicht, Freddie Habicht and Otto Habicht. She was the last member of her family and is survived by two sisters-in-law, Jean Schriefer of Avoca and Bess Crann of Walnut; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Services were held March 29, 1990 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca with Pastor Dean Sudman, officiating and Mr Wayne Paulsen as lay assistant. Burial was in Graceland cemetery, Avoca with Francis Nieman, R. Larry Nieman, Donald Pattee, Raymond Holtz, Delno Holtz and Kenneth Woltmann served as casketbearers.