

THE LIFE STORY OF —

Clara Neveln, 92

Clara Agnes Neveln, daughter of Z.D. and Janet Fraser Drake, was born Feb. 17, 1889 at a farm home near Walnut. She died at the Nelson Nursing Home in Newton on Friday, Aug. 14, 1981 at the age of 92 years.

She received her education in the local school and was married Oct. 30, 1918 to Benjamin H. Neveln. They lived in Aplington, Tabor, Thurman, Nevada and Farley before he retired from teaching and they moved to Walnut. He died in 1946.

She was a member of the Walnut Presbyterian church, a life member of the Walnut Order of the Walnut Order of Eastern Star, and has been a member of the Federated Woman's club, Republican Women's club and a Social club. She moved to Peace Haven in 1973 where she lived until moving to the Nelson Manor Care Center in Newton on April 1, 1981.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a two year old daughter, Irene; two grandchildren, Earl and Rosalie Neveln; five sisters, Charlotte Pope, Minnie Larsen, Adalaide Palmer, Jessie Palmer and Margaret Mertz; four brothers, John, Francis, Edwin and George Drake.

Survivors include two sons, Edwin of Cedar Rapids and Kenneth of Ariz.; four grandchildren, David Neveln of Washington, D.C., Gary Neveln of Marion, Mrs Andy (Annette) Steckel of Cedar Rapids and Teddy Neveln of Ariz.; two great-grandchildren, Josh and Kelly Neveln of Marion and a sister, Mrs Helen Staman of Walnut; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

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Funeral services were held Monday, Aug. 16, 1981 at the Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home in Walnut with the Rev. Robert Houser of the Avoca Presbyterian church officiating.

Burial was in the Walnut cemetery with Herbert Mertz, Robert Richter, George Mertz, Kennard Mertz, Randy Mertz and Bruce Loewenstein serving as casketbearers.

The Walnut Eastern Star conducted graveside services.