

## **Esther Scott, 87**

*Nov. 13, 1911 – May 6, 1999*

**AVOCA** – Esther Leona Scott was born Nov. 13, 1911, on a farm near Avoca. She was the daughter of Harry J. and Emma May Loy Scott and was one of six children. She attended country school and then attended Avoca High School where she graduated in 1930. She took Normal Training and started teaching in the 1930's. She purchased a home in Avoca in 1940 following the death of her father and made a home for her mother and sister, Viola. Esther taught in country school until it closed and then in 1956 started to teach the second grade in the Avoca Schools. She retired from teaching in 1974. She was a member of the United Church of Avoca where she served as clerk for 24 years, taught Sunday School and helped with the Youth Fellowship. She wrote poetry and embroidered quilt tops, many of which have been sold in past years at church and nursing home auctions. She moved to the Salem Lutheran Home in 1979. She died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital May 6, 1999, at age 87 years, five months and 23 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents and three sisters, Ina Harris, Vera Woltmann Holtz and Viola Scott. She is survived by a brother, Howard Scott (Orlene) of Avoca; and sister, Margaret Plagman of Audubon; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held May 10, 1999, at the United Church of Avoca with Rev. Will Bynagte and Pastor Stephen Gronseth officiating. Burial was in Graceland Cemetery. Casket bearers were Robert Scott, Kenneth Woltmann, Harold Plagman, Charles Harris, Martin Schuemann and Wayne Krohn. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.