Frances Emma Doty

They retired from farming in 1974 and moved to Brooklyn, where they lived in the farm home in which her parents formerly lived. The couple traveled during their retirement years and made sojourns to Australia, Alaska and Europe. On the trips, they would take numerous pictures and would return to share them with organizations and friends in slide-show presentations. They spent their winter months in Texas for 21 years.

She was an active 4-H leader for 15 years and was a member of the Extension council. During her time with the 4-H, she would educate the girls on how to bake and sew. She was also active in the Farm Bureau and served as president of the Poweshiek County FB in the early 1960s. She was nominated as district chairperson.

She held a strong love for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and enjoyed attending their activities and being part of their lives.

She is survived by her husband; her son and his wife, Jeannie, of Brooklyn; three grandchildren, Daniel and his wife, Shawn, of Montezuma, Doug and his wife, Wendy, of Sydney, and Daryl of Ottawa, Ill.; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and an infant brother, Robert.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be directed to the Grinnell United Methodist Church or to the Brooklyn United Methodist Church.
Frances Emma Doty, 91

Frances Emma Doty, 91, of Grinnell, and formerly of Brooklyn and Malcom, died Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003, at the St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

Services were held Monday at the Grinnell United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Len Fberhart as officiant. Interment was in the Brooklyn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Grinnell United Methodist Church or the Brooklyn United Methodist Church.

Frances, the daughter of Frank and Cora Belle (Robson) Richman, was born Sept. 30, 1911, in rural Brooklyn. She was raised on the family farm, and she attended rural schools. She graduated in 1930 from Brooklyn High School and earned a degree the next year from the Cedar Rapids Business College.

She married Forrest E. Doty Jr. on March 18, 1937, at her parents' home in rural Brooklyn. To this union, a son, Floyd, was born. Following their marriage, the couple resided and farmed in the Bear Creek Township. In 1943, the couple moved to Madison Township, then to Malcom in 1949 where they continued to farm for another 26 years.

Frances was an active 4-H leader for 15 years, and she also was a member of the Extension Council. During these years with the 4-H, she would teach the girls how to bake and sew. She also served as the president of the Poweshiek County Farm Bureau in the early 1960s. She was later nominated district chairman.

Frances held a strong love for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She enjoyed attending their various activities and being a part of their lives.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one infant brother, Robert.

Frances is survived by her husband, Forrest, of Grinnell; her son, Floyd, and his wife, Jeannie, of Brooklyn; three grandchildren, Daniel, and his wife, Shaw, of Montezuma, Doug and his wife, Wendy, of Sydney, and Daryl, of Ottawa, Ill.; and six great-grandchildren.
Frances E. Doty, 91

Frances Emma Doty, 91, of Grinnell, and formerly of Brooklyn and Malcom, died Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003, of Alzheimer's disease, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

Her funeral service was Monday, Sept. 8, at the Grinnell United Methodist Church with the Rev. Len Eberhart officiating. Interment was at Brooklyn Cemetery.

Frances was born Sept. 30, 1911, at rural Brooklyn. She was the only child born to Frank and Cora Belle Robson Richman. She was raised on the family farm and attended rural schools. She graduated with the Brooklyn High School Class of 1930 and later attended Cedar Rapids Business College, where she was graduated in 1931.

She was united in marriage to Forrest E. Doty, Jr. on March 18, 1937, at her parents' home at rural Brooklyn. To this union, a son, Floyd, was born. Following their marriage, the couple resided and farmed in the Bear Creek Township. In 1943, the couple moved to Madison Township and then to Malcom in 1949, where they continued to farm for 26 years. The couple retired from farming in 1974 and moved to Brooklyn where they lived in the farm home in which her parents previously lived. The couple loved to travel during their retirement years together. Australia, Alaska and Europe made up a few of their travel destinations. On these trips, they would take numerous pictures and would return to share and educate many organizations and friends with their slide show presentations. The couple enjoyed spending their winter months in Texas and did so for 21 years.

Frances was an active 4-H leader for 15 years and was a member of the Extension Council. During her 4-H tenure, she taught the girls baking and sewing. She was also very active with the Farm Bureau and was President in the early 60s, and was a nominated district chairman.

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Frances is survived by her husband, Forrest, of Grinnell; son Floyd and wife Jeannie of Brooklyn; three grandchildren, Daniel and wife Shawn of Montezuma, Doug and wife Wendy of Sydney, and Daryl of Ottawa, Ill., and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded death in by one infant brother, Robert.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be directed to the Grinnell United Methodist Church or to the Brooklyn United Methodist Church.