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She was a member of Grinnell United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women; Delta Kappa Gamma; Poweshiek County Retired Teachers Association; Iowa State Education Association; National Education Association; and Business and Professional Women. She had traveled through North America including the United States, Alaska and Mexico, and to Europe.

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