

LOOKING BACK

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Mrs. Anna Veren dies

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Mrs. Anna Marie Erickson Veren, 90, one of Minerva township's oldest residents, passed away Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Weuve, where she had made her home for the past several years. Mrs. Veren's death was due to complications of old age.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at two o'clock at the Estel-Perrin Funeral Home in charge of the Rev. L.T. Proctor, pastor of the Congregational Christian church at Clemons. Interment was in Marietta cemetery.

Mrs. Veren was born September 10, 1863 in Sweden and was married to Peter Veren in March, 1886 in Sweden. The couple came to America in 1891 and made their home in Marshalltown where they lived for 16 years prior to moving to a farm in the Minerva community.

Mrs. Veren was a member of the Wesley Chapel and of the Ladies Aid at Minerva and has been an honorary member of the organization since 1944.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a son.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Bertha Gustafson of Dubuque, four sons, Fred of Rock Island, Ill., Arthur of State Center; Iver and Harry of Minerva township, and three daughters, Mrs. Earl Weuve, State Center; Mrs. Ralph Eckhardt, Des Moines and Mrs. William Gelvin of Macomb, Ill. Also surviving are 29 grandchildren and 38 great grandchildren.