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#### **Neoma Helland Pettingill**



Born: 3/7/1913  
Died: 5/18/2002

Services will be held at: 10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 23, 2002 at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory

Visitation times are: Friends may call for visitation from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Neoma Helland Pettingill, age 89, lifelong resident of Marshalltown and formerly of 307 North 5th Avenue, died Saturday, May 18, 2002, at Iowa Veterans Home, Marshalltown, IA. FUNERAL SERVICES will be held at 10:00 AM on Thursday, May 23, 2002, at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, with Rev. Darrell Mitchell, officiating. A service of the Order of Eastern Star will be conducted by members of O.E.S. Central Chapter #67. Friends may call for VISITATION from 5 to 9 P.M. Wednesday, at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will greet friends from 5 to 7 P.M. Wednesday. INTERMENT will be at Riverside Cemetery, Marshalltown, Iowa. A memorial fund has been established in her name.

Neoma was born March 7, 1913, in Marshalltown, Iowa the daughter of George H. and Pearl Mae Downs Rinehart. Raised and educated in Marshalltown, she was a 1932 graduate of Marshalltown High School and 1933 graduate of Central Iowa Business College. On October 14, 1933, Neoma was united in marriage to Earl T. Helland in Marshalltown. She was employed as the secretary and receptionist for Marshall County R.E.C. until her retirement on January 1, 1971. Following the death of her husband in 1978, she was later married to Charles B. Pettingill on May 7, 1982 in Waukon, Iowa. Neoma was very active in the community during her life. She was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, fifty year member of the Order of Eastern Star Central Chapter #67, was appointed Grand Chaplain of the Order of Eastern Star of Iowa in 1965, member of the White Shrine, and volunteered as leader for Girl Scouts for 12 years, as well as the Red Cross and MMSC Hospital Auxiliary. She is survived by her daughter: Marlys (Mrs. Victor) Hoglan, of Coralville, two sons: Raymond (Harlietta) Helland of Marshalltown and David (Jeanette) Helland of Chesterfield, Missouri, seven grandchildren: Ted and Doug Hoglan, Brad, Brian, Trenton, Marshall and Lindsey Helland, and nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Earl T. Helland on October 28, 1978, husband Charles B. Pettingill on September 2, 1999, two sisters, two brothers, a step-son Charles E. Pettingill, and two grandsons: Capt. Gregory Hoglan and Thomas Helland.