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## **Ernest Luth, 90**

*April 2, 1909 – April 22, 1999*

**ATLANTIC** – Ernest Alfred Luth was born April 2, 1909, at Avoca. He was the son of Gustave C. and Emma Roenfeldt Luth and was one of seven children in the family. He attended country school near Avoca, completing the eighth grade. He worked as a farm laborer for seven or eight years. He started farming in 1934 east of Avoca on the Anne Ward farm.

He married Ellen Wulff Jan. 29, 1937, in Co. Bluffs. They lived on the same farm north of Walnut for 61 years. They were the parents of two children, Loren and Iris. He served as a 4-H leader. He always had an interest in cattle productions. He was a member of the Peace United Church of Christ in Walnut. In 1997, he moved to the Atlantic Nursing and Rehab Center in Atlantic. He died at the Center April 22, 1999, at age 90 years and 20 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Carl and Henry and by four sisters, Alma Luth, Meta Hipnar, Alvena Mills and Ella Krueger. He is survived by his wife, Ellen of Atlantic; their two children, Loren Luth (Nicki) of Co. Bluffs and Iris (Terry) McMullen of Littleton, CO; his grandchildren, Kevin Luth (Toni) and their daughter, Shay of Iowa City; Colin Luth of Hancock; John Luth of Walnut and Chelsea Luth of Co. Bluffs; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 26, 1999, at the Peace United Church of Christ, Walnut, with Rev. Doris Ruben officiating. Casket bearers were Edwin Mills, Lance Severson, Max Pelzer, Phillip Madson, Melvin Krueger, Merlin Sorensen, Ronald Mortensen, Everette Lamer and Walter Jones. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.