

## MINNETTE F. DODERER

Minnette F. Doderer was born on May 16, 1923, in Holland, Iowa, to John and Sophie Frerichs. She passed away on August 12, 2005, at the age of 82. She is survived by her son Dennis of Iowa City, Iowa; daughter Kay Lynn and her husband Frank Tiberio of Dania Beach, Florida; sister Kay DuFrene and her husband Donald of Hollywood, Florida; brother Al Frerichs of Tucson, Arizona; grandson Thomas Tiberio and his wife Christine; and great-grandchildren Gabriella Giavianna Tiberio and Thomas Vincent Tiberio, Jr.

Doderer graduated from East High School in Waterloo. She attended the University of Iowa and received a bachelor of arts degree in economics. She married Fred H. Doderer on August 5, 1944. She was a visiting professor at Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, and at Iowa State University in Ames and served on the Iowa Health Facilities Council.

Doderer was elected to the Iowa House in a 1964 special election. She had a 36-year career in the legislature, retiring in 2000. As a state legislator, she was recognized in Iowa and in the nation as a lawmaker advocating women's rights, equal rights amendments, juvenile justice, child care, and many other issues. She served as President Pro Tempore of the Senate in 1976-1977 and twice ran for the position of lieutenant governor. She received many awards during her career and in retirement, including the Distinguished Legislative Service award, the Friend of Education award, the Friend of Nursing award, Feminist of the Year award, and the ERA Tribute. Doderer was inducted into the Iowa Women's Hall of Fame in 1979.

Doderer was an active member of the community, participating in many organizations including the United Nations Association, the League of Women Voters, the Board of Fellows at the University of Iowa's School of Religion, the Waterloo East High School Hall of Fame, Delta Kappa Gamma, and the First Methodist Church.

Minnette Doderer was a Johnson County Democrat. She served in the House for 12 terms, from 1964-1968 and from 1981-2000. She served in the Senate for two and a half terms from 1969-1979.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable Minnette F. Doderer, the State has lost an honored citizen and faithful and useful public servant, and that the Senate by this resolution expresses its appreciation of her service to the State and tenders its sympathy and kindest regards to the members of her family.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the Senate and that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

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Committee