



CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1976 of at least 80 acres of the original Iowa farmland.
2. Present owner must be related to original owner.
3. Application must be notarized and submitted by July 4, 1975.

One Century Farm marker per farm will be furnished by Iowa Farm Bureau. Additional markers may be purchased upon request.

One Century Farm Certificate will be awarded per farm by Iowa Department of Agriculture. Additional certificates may be requested.

Name of Present Farm Owner Margaret Ruth Hill

Address # 1 Newton Iowa 50208  
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Address of Farm, if different from above N/A  
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Township Newton County Jasper

Number of acres in the farm at present 80

Date of original purchase by member of your family April 15, 1863 and May 21, 1863

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) North Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 26, Township 80 North, Range 19 West of the 5th Principal Meridian, Jasper County, Iowa.

List all family owners, to present, beginning with original:

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>E.N. Gates</u>	<u>Great Grandfather</u>
<u>Sarah C. Gates</u>	<u>Great Grandmother</u>
<u>Margaret I. Gates</u>	<u>Grandmother</u>
<u>E.N. Gates</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Margaret Ruth (Gates) Hill</u>	<u>(Self)</u>
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NOTE: Request for additional information on reverse side.

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM MARKER AND CERTIFICATE

Information you may be able to add to this form, while not essential to Century Farm Certification, will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are offered only as a guide, so please feel free to add any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and area around it.

From whom was the farm purchased? One tract from John Swickard, and another tract from John Wheeler

How many acres were in the original parcel? 80 Acres in the first tract, 40 Acres in the other

What was the cost of land per acre? \$6.13 for first tract, \$43.75 for the other.

Where was the first owner born? Addison County, Vermont, in 1815

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Geneseo, Illinois

Was this a homestead? No

Did the first owner farm the land? Yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? No

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? No

When was the present home built? 1917-1918

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn and Soy Beans

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Newton Daily News, Newton, Iowa

I (we), M. Ruth- (Gates) Hill

being duly sworn, depose and say that the statements on this application are true and correct with regard to the land described above.



M. Ruth Hill  
(Signature(s) of Applicants(s))  
(M. Ruth Hill)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of May 19 75.

My Commission expires 9-30-75

Nathan B. Updegraff  
(Nathan B. Updegraff) Notary Public in and for the

County of Jasper State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture  
State House, Des Moines, Iowa 50319  
Submit by July 4, 1975

