



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 JAMES M. SMITH and LUCILLE M. SMITH

Address Rt 1 COLFAX IOWA 50054
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Address of Farm, if different from above _____
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Township POWESHIEK County JASPER

Number of acres in the farm at present 350

Date of original purchase by member of your family Deed Jan. 15, 1858, Filed Jan. 19, 1858

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) SE 1/4, SE 1/4 Sec 15.

SW 1/4, SW 1/4 Sec 14 all 80-21 - 120 acres

SE 1/4, SW 1/4 Sec 14-80-21 - 40 acres warranty deed

Dated Dec. 6, 1875, Filed June 30, 1876.

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

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>David Beams</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>Jeannetta Beams</u>	<u>Grandmother</u>
<u>Florence M. Smith</u>	<u>mother</u>
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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? Arthur A. Hard

How many acres were in the original parcel? 120 acres

What was the cost of land per acre? unknown

Where was the first owner born? Muskingum Co. Ohio, June 22, 1825

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? _____

Was this a homestead? no

Did the first owner farm the land? yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? after his return from the Civil War.

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? one house in 1884, other one in 1920

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn, oats, soybeans, hogs and cattle

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation ~~Colfax Tribune~~
Newton Daily News, Jasper County Tribune

I (we), James M. Smith
being duly sworn, depose and say that the statements on this application are true and correct with regard to the land described above.

James M. Smith
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1 day of March 1975.

My Commission expires Sept. 30, 1975
J.W. Shessler
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

