



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 Robert Ellis Smith & Harriet Jane Smith

Address #2 Newton Iowa 50208
R.R. P.O. State Zip

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

Township Sherman County Jasper

Number of acres in the farm at present (200) Bought in 1855

Date of original purchase by member of your family Purchased from state Sept. 2, 1856
Filed for record - Apr. 2, 1858

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) Section 16-640A 80-20 Sub 10 Page 506
Section 16-80-20 -40A NWSE
" " " " -40A SESE
" " " " 38.8 NESE

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

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>Charles & Margaret Watt 1855</u>	<u>great great Great Grandfather & mother</u>
<u>Wm Watt 1871</u>	<u>Great Great Grandfather</u>
<u>Arthur Watt 1905</u>	<u>Great Uncle</u>
<u>Winnie Watt 1925</u>	<u>Great Aunt</u>
<u>Robert & Harriet Smith 1958</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? State of Iowa

How many acres were in the original parcel? 640 A.

What was the cost of land per acre? \$ 1.25

Where was the first owner born? Scotland

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Canada (Windsorborne) Ont.

Was this a homestead? Yes

Did the first owner farm the land? Yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? No - He drowned in July 1858 - and she farmed the land raising 8 children -

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? sod house, then small wood house - then the present house built with native walnut.

When was the present home built? 1871

What are the farm's crops or products? Hay, Corn, Soybeans - Dairy Cattle Hogs

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

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

Harriet Smith - Robert Smith
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of December 19 75.

My Commission expires 9-30-77
P. L. Sutherlin
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

