



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 Richard + NANCY Gardner

Address 1 SELMA IOWA 52588
R.R. P.O. State Zip

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

Township VILLAGE County VAN BUREN

Number of acres in the farm at present 221

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1847

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) East + west half of the south west quarter of section nine, in Township No. seventy, north of Range No. Eleven, west of the 5th P.M. containing 160 acres.

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

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>Robert Gardner Sr.</u>	<u>Great-Great-Great Grandfather</u>
<u>Robert (Jr) + Rachael Gardner</u>	<u>Great-Great-Grandfather</u>
<u>Tom + Elda Gardner</u>	<u>Great Grandfather</u>
<u>Rale + Maizie Gardner</u>	<u>Great Uncle + Aunt</u>
<u>Richard + Nancy Gardner</u>	

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? DALE + MARIE Gardner

How many acres were in the original parcel? ~~80~~ 160

What was the cost of land per acre? NO

Where was the first owner born? Ireland

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Ireland - Clark County Ireland

Was this a homestead? yes

Did the first owner farm the land? NO yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? worked on Panama Canal,

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? 1970

What are the farm's crops or products? CORN, HAY, COWS, SHEEP

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Bonaparte Republican or Ottumwa Courier

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

Richard Gardner
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of May 19 75.
Glorie M. Blackburn
Notary Public in and for the

My Commission expires
My Commission expires Sept. 30, 1977.

County of Van Buren State of Iowa

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

