



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 Herbert Dee McGrath

Address 1 Kissauqua Iowa 52565  
R.R. P.O. State Zip

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

Township Jackson County Van Buren

Number of acres in the farm at present 140

Date of original purchase by member of your family March 15 - 1852

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) The East (1/2) of The Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 1, Township 68, North, Range 11, West, Containing 80 Acres, Van Buren County, Iowa Consideration, \$2,500.00

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

| NAME                                    | RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER |
|---|-------------------------------|
| <u>John Quincy Adams McGrath</u>        | <u>Grandfather</u>            |
| <u>Edward Jefferson McGrath</u>         | <u>Father</u>                 |
| <u>Paul E &amp; Herbert Dee McGrath</u> | <u>brother &amp; myself</u>   |
| <u>Herbert Dee McGrath</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? John Quincy Adams purchased the farm from James Toland and wife Mary Ann Toland

How many acres were in the original parcel? 80

What was the cost of land per acre? Around \$31.00

Where was the first owner born? Vermont

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Do not know other than Vermont

Was this a homestead? No

Did the first owner farm the land? Yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? He was a stone mason and farmer

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Yes the house is the original with more added to it, and a wagon shed.

When was the present home built? Around 1853

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn, wheat, oats

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Van Buren Register Cassiqua Ia 52565

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

Herbert D. McGrath      Alice M. McGrath  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of June 19 75.

My Commission expires

9-30-77

Donna S. Augspurger  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Notary Public in and for the

County of Van Buren State of Iowa

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

