



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP

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SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

In Conjunction with Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

Century Farm Application

Must be postmarked no later than June 1st of year applying

Please Print or Type

* Information submitted on this application is considered public information.

Have you or any family member applied for the Century Farm Award for this farm in the past? Yes No

Phone No. [REDACTED] E-mail [REDACTED]

Name(s) of All Present Farm Owner(s) Willis Elmer (Bill) Cay and Connie Frances (Kerr) Cay

Kristen June (Cay) Leu and husband Jeremy Jay Leu

Address 705 S. Main St. Fairfield Iowa 52556
Street address City State Zip

911 address of Century Farm (if none, names of roads surrounding farm, include city) 17504 Ivory Road and
19151 177th Road Keosauqua 52565

Township T69N-R10W Section 10 Century Farm County Van Buren County

You will be awarded a certificate at the Iowa State Fair in August. What name(s) would you like on this certificate?

Connie Frances (Kerr) Cay and husband Willis Elmer Cay

How would you like your farm announced at the ceremony if different than owners names listed? Kerr Farm at Des Moines River Irish Bend

Please give pronunciation of name(s) _____

Number of acres in the farm: Originally 80 Currently 87

Date your ancestors first purchased this land 25th day of June 1910

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract or tax statement) or attach copy the North half of the
Southwest Quarter of Section Ten (10) Township Sixty Nine (69) Range Ten (10) West, containing 80 Acres.

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List all previous ancestors who owned this land, beginning with the first owner to present:

Name	Relationship to Present Owner
Robert James Kerr	Great Grandfather of Connie Frances (Kerr) Cay wife of Willis Elmer Cay, Jr.
Willa Marie (Kerr) Strait	1st Great Aunt of Connie Frances (Kerr) Cay wife of Willis Elmer Cay, Jr.
Kenneth Vale Kerr	Father of Connie Frances (Kerr) Cay and father-in-law of Willis Elmer Cay, Jr.
Connie Frances (Kerr) Cay	Daughter of Kenneth Vale Kerr and wife of Willis Elmer Cay, Jr.

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 attach any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and area around it.

How did your family originally obtain the land? Gift Homestead Purchase Will

What was the original cost of land per acre? 1910 - \$ 37.50/acre

Was your family the first owner/settler on the land? Yes No

Amos R. Sherod and Hattie A. Sherod of Polk Co. previous owner

Where was the first family owner born? 16 July 1853 in Douds, Van Buren County, Iowa

Is the original home or other original building still standing or in use? No

What are the farm's crops or products? tillable ground in CRP with small flock of goats and chickens

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AUTHORIZATION/NOTARY

I (We), Connie Frances (Kerr) Cay and Willis Elmer Cay
Being duly sworn, depose and say that the statements on this application are true and correct with regard to the land noted herein.

Connie F. Cay Willis Elmer Cay
Signature(s) of Applicant(s)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of April, 2015.

My Commission Expires:
1-6-2017

Jane A. Leu
Notary Public

Please mail to:



Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
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