



Iowa Department of Agriculture  
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Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

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R. H. Lounsberry  
Secretary

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1977 of at least 80 acres of the original Iowa farmland.
2. Present owner must be related to a person who owned the land at least 100 years ago.
3. Application must be notarized and submitted by December 31, 1976.

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 legal farm owner by Iowa Department of Agriculture. Additional certificates may be requested.

*If application is approved, please send the marker & certificate to our son, Donald R. Hemphill,*  
PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner *Gladys (Hammer) Hemphill & Reid Hemphill*

Address of Farm, if different from mailing address

Township *Eighty* County *Jasper*

Number of acres in the farm at present *approx. 145 acres*

Date of land purchase by Ancestor first owning this farm *One forty acres from U.S. Fed. Govt. in 1853 or 55 at least 40 more acres before 1871.*

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) *South west quarter (SW 1/4) of the North West quarter (NW 1/4) of Sec. 13; west half (W 1/2) of the South West Quarter (SW 1/4) of Sec. thirteen (13); all that part of North West quarter (NW 1/4) of North West quarter (NW 1/4) of Sec. twenty-four (24) lying north & Chi. Rock Rd + Pac. R.R. right of way; all in Township eighty (80) North, Range sixteen (16) West of the Fifth P. M.*

NAME

RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER

*Aaron Hammer*

*Grandfather of Gladys (Hammer) Hemphill*

*Frank Hammer*

*son of Aaron & uncle of Gladys H. Hemphill*

*Aaron Hammer*

*{ father of Frank Hammer and grand-father of Gladys (Hammer) Hemphill*

*Clarence E. Hammer*

*father of Gladys H. Hemphill.*

*He bequeathed the farm to his daughter Gladys H. Hemphill and son Leloy H. Hammer. Each received an undivided half interest in the farm. The Estate of Leloy Hammer sold his half interest in the farm to Reid Hemphill, husband of Gladys H. Hemphill*

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? *One forty from U.S. Govt. I believe another 40 from Gene Hammer.*

How many acres were in the original parcel? *Forty.*

What was the cost of land per acre? *Not known.*

Where was the first owner born? *Probably in Tenn.*

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

Was this a homestead? *Probably ?*

Did the first owner farm the land? *Yes.*

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? *Not to our knowledge*

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? *1914*

What are the farm's crops or products? *corn, beans, oats, hay a few dairy products*

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation *Newton Daily News, Newton, Ia.*

I (we), **Gladys (Hammer) Hemphill and S. Reid Hemphill** being duly sworn, depose and say that the statements on this application are true and correct with regard to the land described above.

*x Gladys Hammer Hemphill*  
*x S. Reid Hemphill*  
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of May 19 77.

My Commission expires  
**30 Sept. 1978**

*Leon K. Wirtjes*  
Notary Public In and for the  
**Leon K. Wirtjes**

County of **Black Hawk** State of **Iowa**

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture  
Century Farms Program  
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