



Iowa Department of Agriculture
in conjunction with
Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 19____ of at least 40 acres of 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 June 1, 19____.

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 for each legal farm owner by Iowa Department of Agriculture. Additional certificates may be purchased at a cost of \$1.00 per certificate from the Iowa Department of Agriculture.

Phone _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner Virgil Saak

Township Malaka Century Farm County Jasper

Number of acres in farm at present 160

Date your ancestors first purchased this land November 4, 1884

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Jasper County Tribune - Baxter

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) The south-east quarter (S.E. 1/4) of section seven (7), Township eighty-one (81), North of Range Nineteen (19), West of the 5th P.M. Jasper County, Iowa.

List all ancestors who owned this land, beginning with original:

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
Herman Saak	Grandfather
Henry Saak	Father
Virgil Saak	Present owner

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? Jonathan Butler who purchased it from the U.S. Gov't. in 1854

How many acres were in the original parcel? 160

What was the cost of land per acre? \$25.00

Where was the first owner born? Province of Lippe-Detmold, Germany

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Newton, Iowa

Was this a homestead? No.

Did the first owner farm the land? Yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? Had worked at the brickyards in Newton before moving to other area farms before purchasing this farm.

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Part of the original home. Has been added to and remodeled several times.

When was the present home built? Original before 1884. Additions in 1954 & 1963

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn, beans, oats and hay Cattle and sheep are raised.

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.

Signature of Applicant: Virgil Saak (Signature(s) of Applicants(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4 day of February 19 85.

My Commission expires Notary Public in and for the

8-30-87

County of Jasper State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture Century Farms Program Wallace Building Des Moines, IA 50319