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Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

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R. H. Lounsberry
Secretary

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements;

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 19⁸⁴ 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, 19⁸⁴.

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 No. _____ area _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner Jesse S. Smith, Vester E. Smith, C. Edith Hart

Address of Centur. _____
Township Buena Vista R.R., P.O. or Street _____ Town _____
Century Farm County Jasper

Number of acres in farm at present 218

Date your ancestors first purchased this land July 13, 1876
January 21, 1881 ~~_____~~

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation _____

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec 23
Twp 79 Range 18 & W 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 14, Twp 79

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

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>Jesse Smith</u>	<u>GRANDFATHER</u>
<u>Scott Smith</u>	<u>UNCLE</u>
<u>Edward B. Smith</u>	<u>FATHER</u>

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? GARRET LAForge + CATHERINE + D.L. CLARK + CAROLINE CLARK His Wife
How many acres were in the original parcel? 80

What was the cost of land per acre? UNKNOWN
Where was the first owner born? Moved Here From PENNSYLVANIA

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? _____
Was this a homestead? No
Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? No

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? _____
House THAT E.B. + CHARLOTTE SMITH BUILT ON THE BARE SO THAT THEY PURCHASED FROM JESSE SMITH ESTATE STILL STANDS BUT NOT USED.

When was the present home built? _____
What are the farm's crops or products? USUAL

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.

Jesse S Smith
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of November 1983.

My Commission expires August 31, 1986
Sylvia Groom
Notary Public in and for the

County of Jasper State of Iowa

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