



Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship

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Dale M. Cochran Secretary of Agriculture

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

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Eligibility Requirements;

- 1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1990 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, 1993.

- 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 and Land Stewardship. Additional certificates may be purchased.
A state-wide Century Farms Award Ceremony is held at the Iowa State Fair every year. You will receive notice as to the time and date of the ceremony in July. If you should have any questions, please call this office at (515) 281-5323.

Phone No.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner Enid M. (Sheker) Tonsfeldt

Address of Century Farm, if different from above

Township Elkhorn

Century Farm County Webster

Number of acres in farm at present 40

Date your ancestors first purchased this land Feb. 13, 1890

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation The Messenger Fort Dodge, Iowa

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement)

The Southeast Quarter (SE) of the Southwest

Quarter (SW) of Section 35, Township 88 North

Range 29, West of the 5th P.M. Iowa

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

NAME

RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER

Wesley and Anna Sheker

Great Grandparents

Joseph and Mary Sheker

Grandparents

George and Emma Sheker

Parents

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? Litchfield

How many acres were in the original parcel? 120

What was the cost of land per acre?

Where was the first owner born? Czechoslovakia

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Iowa City, 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? No

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Yes

When was the present home built?

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn and Soybeans

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

Enid M. Tonsfeldt (Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of May 319 93.

My Commission expires 1-17-94

Diane Pruden Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa County of Webster

County of Webster State of Iowa

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

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