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Iowa Department of Agriculture  
in conjunction with  
Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

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.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner Helen Overturffs Beasley

Address 1 Batavia Iowa 52533  
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Address of Farm, if different from above 1 Selma Iowa 52588  
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Township 70 County Van Buren

Number of acres in the farm at present 360

Date of land purchase by Ancestor first owning this farm 1851

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) The Northwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 70, North, Range 11 West, containing 160 acres, and also the Northeast Quarter of Section 10, Township 70, North Range 11 West, containing 160 Acres, in all 320 Acres, more or less.

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

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>Dorsey Overturffs</u>	<u>Great Grandfather</u>
<u>Martha Overturffs</u>	<u>Great Grandmother</u>
<u>Allen Overturffs</u>	<u>Grand Father</u>
<u>Narry, Ben, Simon, and Dorsey Overturffs</u>	<u>Father and Uncles</u>
<u>Mabel Overturffs</u>	<u>Mother</u>
<u>Helen Overturffs Beasley</u>	<u>Present owner</u>
	<u>Daughter of Narry + Mabel</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? John & Elizabeth Glenn

How many acres were in the original parcel? 320

What was the cost of land per acre? 320 A cost \$2350.

Where was the first owner born? Penn

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Penn.

Was this a homestead? No. BUT 40A More was in 1853

Did the first owner farm the land? YES

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? No, BUT before coming to Iowa He was a Pattern Maker for ships.

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? 1910

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn, Beans, Hay & Pasture, Cattle, Hog, Sheep.

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Fairfield Ledger.

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

Helen Overturff Beasley (Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of December 19 76.

My Commission expires Notary Public In and for the

FRANK LEROY SIMPSON Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa County of Jefferson State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture Century Farms Program State House, Des Moines, Iowa 50319