



Iowa American Revolution Bicentennial Commission



CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1976 of at least 80 acres of the original Iowa farmland.
2. Present owner must be related to original owner.
3. Application must be notarized and submitted by July 4, 1975.

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

Name of Present Farm Owner Grace Hunter Lanman (Mrs. Grille)

Address Bonaparte Iowa 52620
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Address of Farm, if different from above _____
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Township Vernon County Van Buren

Number of acres in the farm at present 354

Date of original purchase by member of your family Oct. 5, 1876

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) W² SE - NE = 20A
DW. NE = 39A NW. NE = 40A Sec 26 T9R8

List all family owners, to present, beginning with original:

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>Thos. B. + Samantha Simmons</u>	<u>Maternal grandparents</u>
<u>J. Nelson + Carrie Simmons Hunter</u>	<u>Parents</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 + Sabina Ward

How many acres were in the original parcel? 100 acres

What was the cost of land per acre? \$ 29.50

Where was the first owner born? Ohio

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

Was this a homestead? _____

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,

an old log barn

When was the present home built? 1893

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn, oats, wheats, beans, + cattle

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Bonaparte Record Republican

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

Grace Hunter Lanman
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25 day of February 19 76.

My Commission expires _____
Shirley P. Ringus
Notary Public in and for the _____

Sept 30, 1977
County of Van Buren State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture
State House, Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Submit by July 4, 1975

