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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

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Eligibility Requirements;

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1997 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, 1997.

- 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. (319) 397-2454  
area

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner Esther Hargrove Wells

Address R.R. 1 Box 206 Milton Iowa 52570  
R.R., P.O. or Street Town State Zip

Address of Century Farm, if different from above R.R. 1 Cantril Iowa 52542  
R.R., P.O. or Street Town State Zip

Township Jackson Century Farm County Van Buren

Number of acres in farm at present 220

Date your ancestors first purchased this land February 19, 1890

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Van Buren County Register

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

The southwest quarter of section 10  
Township 67, Range 11 consisting of 160 Acres

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

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>James S. Hargrove</u>	<u>Grand father</u>
<u>Esther Hargrove Wells</u>	<u>Granddaughter</u>

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? James S. Hargrove Estate

How many acres were in the original parcel? 160

What was the cost of land per acre? \$ 14.00 per Acre

Where was the first owner born? Scotland County Missouri

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Scotland Co. Mo

Was this a homestead? No

Did the first owner farm the land? Yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?

Seed and wool business - later in life + rented the farm.

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? No home there now.

What are the farm's crops or products? presently in CRP - usually oats, hay corn, soybeans + pasture

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.

Esther Wells (Signature(s) of Applicants(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of July 319 96 3.

My Commission expires

July 3, 1997



Leila P. Sherman Notary Public in and for the

County of Van Buren State of Iowa

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