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Sculpted by Fred and Mabel Torrey of Des Moines, the statue was dedicated on the anniversary of the Gettysburg Address, November 19, 1961. Iowa's Meredith Willson led the massed band. Thomas (nicknamed Tad) was the fourth and youngest son of Abraham and Mary Lincoln. He died at the age of 18 in 1871. The \$25,000 cost of the monument was raised primarily by Iowa schoolchildren.