

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Stone, John Young Senator Stone,

John Young Represented Madison, Mills and Pettawattawie Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 23 Apr 1843 Sarganville County, Illinois

2. Marriage (s) date place

① Harriet Solomon 6 Jan 1868

② Jessie Kinifred DeLoachmitt 12 Sept 1894

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was admitted to the bar in 1868

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession Lawyer; newspaper editor and publisher; nurseryman;

4. Church membership Baptist

5. Sessions served 11<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1868, 1870, 1876, 1878 - Iowa

6. Public Offices 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1872, 1874 - State of Representatives

A. Local

B. State Speaker of the Iowa House, 7<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1878, Iowa State  
Whiskey Journal for 4 years 1888-1892

C. National He was a delegate to the National Republican Convention at Cincinnati,  
Ohio in 1876

7. Death 16 June 1928 Council Bluffs Iowa; buried Glenwood Cemetery, Glenwood, Iowa

8. Children By 1<sup>st</sup> wife John Clarence (born 5 May 1871, died 3 July 1919); by 2<sup>nd</sup> wife John  
Ernest; William Lawrence; Harriet Louise (Mrs. Dr. George Russell McPherson); John Jr.

9. Names of parents William Langford and Mary Ellen (McLennan) Stone

Stone, John Young

10. Education He was educated in schools in Athens, Missouri and later  
near his home in Mills County, Iowa and also in Glenwood, Iowa

11. Degrees \_\_\_\_\_

12. Other applicable information \_\_\_\_\_

Republican

- An 1853, his grandfather, James Stone, moved to Mills County, Iowa and entered one or more sections of land on Silver Creek. In 1856 he returned to Missouri to get his 3 grandchildren and bringing them to Mills County. One child was John Young Stone.
- He started reading law by age 18, desiring to become a lawyer.
- Military service - Civil War Company F, 15<sup>th</sup> Infantry, attaining rank of 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant.
- When the war was over he read and studied law with William Hale, a Glenwood lawyer.
- He also engaged in publishing and editing the Glenwood Opinion newspaper.
- While in the legislature it was his bill in 1876 that secured the institution of Glenwood for public mental children.
- He was tendered for Iowa Governor, but declined.
- He was known for his apple orchards a mile west of Glenwood of over 100,000 trees as well as 75,000 grape vines. It was all destroyed some years later by blight and a heavy freeze.
- He organized the Iowa 51<sup>st</sup> National Guards who served in the Philippines and helped organize Company I of the 55<sup>th</sup> Iowa Regiment.





John Y. Stone.

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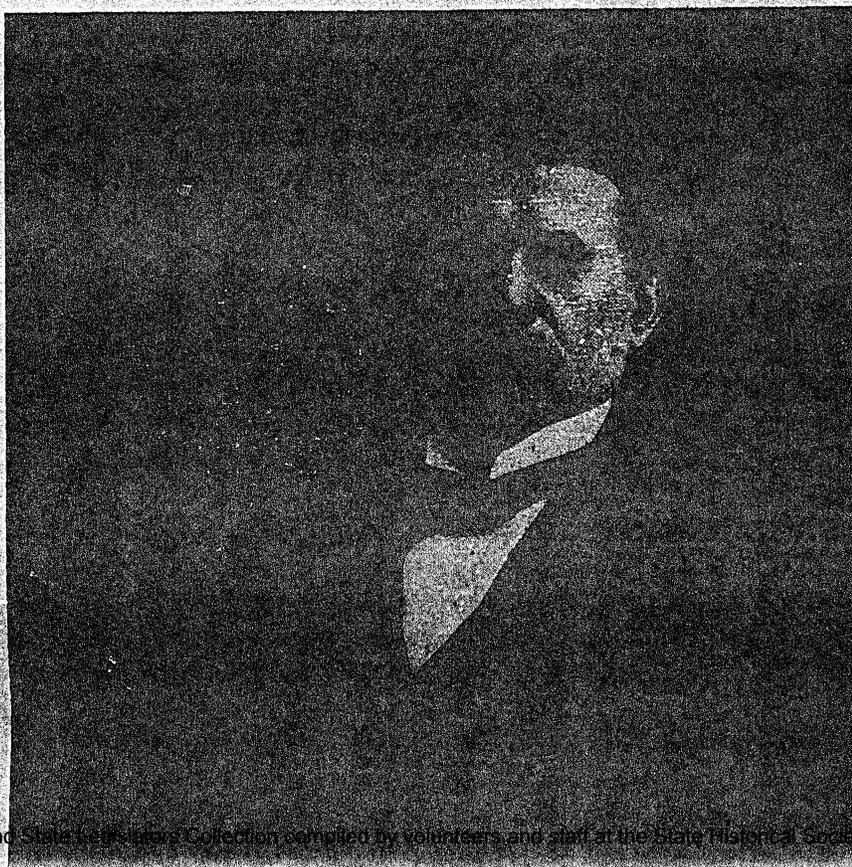
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## Tribute Paid The Memory Of Former Attorney General John Y. Stone

Funeral Services Held This Thursday Afternoon from First  
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man, Philosopher and Gentleman

General John Y. Stone, soldier, editor, lawyer, statesman, philosopher, one of Iowa's most distinguished citizens, a man of unimpeachable character, a brave soldier, a distinguished statesman and one who was termed by the members of his profession as the greatest legal strategian that the state has ever produced, rests today after a long and interesting journey through 85 years of life which started amid the meager surroundings in a rural pioneer home and wended its way from the one room log school house across fields of battle and up through newspaper and law office to legislative halls and attorney general's office.

This community, which he honored, by his residence for over three quarters of a century, pauses this Thursday afternoon to pay honor to the memory of he, who was their most distinguished citizen. The funeral services are being



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GENERAL JOHN Y. STONE

The above is a reproduction of the oil painting of General Stone done by the state and which hangs in the Attorney General's office in the Capital building at Des Moines that future

generations may be acquainted with the physical likeness of this man of mighty intellect, who has left the impress of his forceful personality in the statutes of this great state which he served so eminently.

held from the First Baptist church. Honors, such as are due one who has so ably served his nation, his state, and his fellowman are being shown him by his fellow townsman as the final mark of respect as the body is borne on the last lap of its earthly journey toward the Glenwood cemetery where the remains will be laid to rest on the family lot.

Mr. Stone's keen intellect remained unimpaired even during the last few months when the disintegrating influence of time was exacting as its toll, his physical vigor. Up to a week ago Sunday he was able to be about town every day. Taking to his bed on Sunday, June 17 he failed rapidly and on last Sunday was taken to a Council Bluffs hospital where in the early hours of Tuesday morning he answered the subpoena to that highest tribunal.

General Stone was born in Illinois in 1843, coming to Iowa in 1856, locating in the Silver Creek Valley in Mills County. He enlisted with the Union forces in the Civil War in 1861 serving four years, rising to the rank of lieutenant. At the close of the war he returned to Mills County engaging in newspaper work, acquiring an interest in the Glenwood Opinion which he edited for a time. He was reading law the while in the law office of Attorney Hale and in 1868 was admitted to the bar, becoming one of Iowa's foremost attorneys.

Mr. Stone served twelve years in the State Legislature four years in the Senate and eight in the House, where he presided as speaker. He was elected Attorney General of the State, which office he filled efficiently for six years. He twice was a delegate to the National Republican Convention, serving as chairman of the Iowa delegation. The Governorship of the State was tendered Mr. Stone, but he declined the honor, returning to private life and the resumption of his law practice.

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### Newspaper Connections

General Stone, when home on a furlough from his service in the Civil war, early in the year of 1864 learned of the plans to start a newspaper in Glenwood, when he chanced to meet P. T. Ballard, a printer who had recently come here from Iowa City and was at that time engaged in sorting some badly pied type. Later when General Stone returned from the war, the acquaintanceship with Ballard, crystallized into friendship, resulting in a partnership. Mr Stone acquired half interest in the paper, then known as "Our Opinion" later changed to "The Glenwood Opinion." At the age of 22 years, he assumed the editorship of the paper and the creditable manner in which he edited this publication gave evidence of the natural mental ability which was later to carry him into a field of wider activity. He edited the paper for two years, during which time he was admitted to the bar and journalism lost, what might have been another Horace Greeley or Arthur Brisbane.

### Lawyers Tribute

Attorney C. T. Genung, once said of General Stone, "He was always courteous and gentlemanly with all his legal adversaries, actuated by the highest motives of honor and integrity in all his legal battles, appreciative of the rights of others fighting with all the power of his mighty intellect, to secure a victory, but scrupulously careful that that should be an honorable victory."

That eminent Attorney Emmett Tinley of Council Bluffs said of General Stone, "I consider him Iowa's foremost Attorney and one of the ten greater which the United States has ever produced."

### Created Institution Here

Dr. George Mogrige, superintendent of the State Feeble Minded Institution, speaking of General Stone recounted how during his service in the Iowa legislature, secured the necessary legislation, creating the state's school for sub-normal children, which was through his influence established here and which through his efforts was retained here when others would have moved it, in the early years of its life. He characterized this work of General Stone as one of the most forward looking legislative achievements for the betterment of society which Iowa has experienced in its entire existence as a state.

### A Cultured Gentleman

Through reading a man acquires that interest in those things outside his own life's activities which make him of greatest value to society. General Stone was a voluminous reader and possessed a well informed knowledge on a wider range of things and affairs than is often found. With this vast knowledge and inborn ability to comprehend and accurately analyze, coupled with his keen sense of fairness and gentlemanly manner it was possible for him in writing and speaking to defend his views without offending those who differed with him. His quiet dignity and gentlemanly manner marked him as a man of distinction and great as were the honors paid him and many the titles which he deservedly earned none is greater than that which everyone who knew him bestowed upon him, and that was the respect which they felt due him because they recognized in him a gentleman.

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# Recollections and Sketches of Notable Lawyers and Public Men of Early Iowa

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Belonging to the First and Second  
Generations, with Anecdotes and  
Incidents Illustrative of the Times

By

EDWARD H. STILES

For many years a member of the Iowa Bar; member of its House of Representatives, 1863-1864; member of its Senate, 1865-1866; Reporter of its Supreme Court, 1867-1875; author of Complete Digest of its Decisions from the earliest Territorial period to the 56th Iowa Reports.

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"In old age alone we are masters of a treasure of which we cannot be deprived, the only treasure we can call our own. The pleasures of memory and the retrospect of the varied images which in an active life have floated before the mind, compensate, and more than compensate, for the alternate pleasures and cares of active life."—SIR ARCHIBALD ALLISON.

"Personal anecdotes, when characteristic, greatly enliven the pages of a biography."—SAMUEL SMILES.

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## LEGISLATORS' CABIN.

JOHN Y. STONE.

STATE SENATOR.

"Grapes do not grow upon thorns, or figs upon thistles." This is an aphorism that finds a ready application in every-day life. Men mistake their calling, wood-choppers become editors; hod-carriers are turned into educators; mechanics embark in merchandizing; while men naturally adapted to business pursuits plod away the vigor of their life on the farm. "Know thyself," is the most important lesson of life, and the one least understood. Let each member be assigned his appropriate place, and the machinery of society will move as harmoniously as clock work.

John Y. Stone is a native of Illinois, is twenty-eight years old, and fifteen years in Iowa. He is married, is a lawyer by profession, and liberal in religious sentiment. In stature he is about five feet eight inches, and weighs not far from one hundred and sixty pounds. In the mental temperament he is marked four in a scale of seven. With the advantages of an education he has the ability to attain a fair position in the profession, but has not enough of the vital temperament to insure permanent success. He needs more of the mental and vital temperaments to give intensity of feeling; larger eventuality, to recall law cases and decisions; larger comparison, to illustrate, compare, and criticize; larger ideality and order, to arrange and give force and beauty to his declamations. In all these, he is below an average. Phrenology, judging from his mental and physical organism, would assign him to a place of labor, such as a fruit-grower or horticulturist; or among the less mechanical trades, such as a shoemaker, harnessmaker, or tailor. In these he would undoubtedly excel; but never as a lawyer or law-maker. He is too spasmodic, to super-

ficial, and too ignorant of the ways of the world and the wants of man. He is an inveterate talker, but talks without knowledge. He consumed thousands of dollars worth of precious time during the session of 1872, which to the people was as valueless as vanity. He is not only a chronic talker, but he is very disagreeable in his enunciation—his words all being formed above the glottis—with what elocutionists call a "nasal twang"—not a chest voice, so essential in good oratory, does he ever utter. This ignorance, or inability to modulate the voice to a proper key, is inexcusable in public speakers. As a chronic talker, he has written himself down as a "bore."

In his character, self-esteem is the prominent trait, which, with an imperfect mental balance, makes of him a singular compound of affectation, pretended modesty, and pettish invectives. He has but little appreciation of literature, and would have scarcely a regret if the wisdom of the world should be buried in his grave. But he is not without his good qualities—they are only overshadowed by his bad ones. He will not make a brilliant record anywhere, and the world will continue to move, long after he is dead and forgotten. He lives in the present; he lives for its allurements and enjoyments—but the world is not in his pocket.

This closes the gallery sketch of John Y. Stone. It is the first in a hundred and fifty. Each will have their turn at the wheel, and be weighed for what they are worth. As public servants, they are subject to public criticism, which will be freely and truthfully given.

EDWARD J. GAULT.

STATE SENATOR.

Mr. Gault is a man of average size and ordinary mould—having an organism so

Louisville, Kentucky, where he received the silver oak leaf; thence at the close of the war, July 24th, 1865, after three years and eleven months of active and constant service, the regiment was finally mustered out, and Lieut. Colonel Abernethy returned to his home in Fayette county, taking there with him the little remnant only of his old Company F. Of the ninety-six men of the company in which he went out as a private, twenty-two only, or but a little more than one in five went back with him to tell the story of their trials and their triumphs—all the rest having "fallen out by the way," many of them buried in the shallow and unknown graves on the bloody battle-fields of the South, whose reward must come if at all, in another life and from the God of battles.

In speaking of titles, Col. Abernethy says that he meets with quite a spicy variety as he is greeted here and there by old comrades in the field. Occasionally he meets one who say, "Howdy Colonel," and once in a while he hears "good morning, Major," but much oftener finds himself dubbed "Captain," sometimes "Lieutenant," and very often he is saluted with a slap on the shoulder—"How are you old Orderly," but the dearest and homeliest of all comes from the old associates—"Well, Lon., glad to see you again."

In October, 1865 he was elected to the Legislature and served in the session of 1866, as a member of the Lower House.

In January, 1868, he married Miss Louise E. Eaton, of Fayette county, and a year later removed to Crawford county—still pursuing the occupation of his boyhood, in the improvement of a farm near that place.

In September, 1870, he came to Des Moines as Principal of the school known as the "Baptist College," and soon after the close of his first year, was nominated for Superintendent of Public Instruction and elected by a majority of 42,256—receiving a total vote of 109,158. He makes a very efficient official—is faithful to duty, and is destined to leave a record that will live.

*The Western Life-Boat 1873*

the leaders of his party in Madison county. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

The colonel has a high reputation for integrity, his word being a sure guarantee of performance. By careful and prudent management he has placed himself in very comfortable circumstances.

Colonel Cummings is five feet and nine and a half inches tall, and weighs 217 pounds. His hair, which was light when a young man, is almost white; his complexion is fair, and his disposition cheerful and social. He can enjoy a joke,—the best when not on himself.

## HON. JOHN Y. STONE,

GLENWOOD.

JOHN YOUNG STONE, speaker of the house in the seventeenth general assembly, and one of the leading republicans of the younger class in the State of Iowa, is a native of Sangamon county, Illinois, and was born on the 23d of April, 1843. His parents were William L. and Mary Ann (McLemore) Stone, members of nature's nobility, the agricultural class. The branch of the Stone family from which our subject sprang early settled in Virginia and spread into Kentucky and Illinois. In 1856 William L. Stone moved into the southwestern part of Iowa, settling on a farm in Mills county, where the son not only gained a thorough knowledge of agriculture, but of the condition, rights and wants of the agriculturist—knowledge which has since led him to heartily sympathize with this class of the community, and to advocate their claims in public life with an earnestness as eloquent as it was sincere, as effective as it was timely. A writer in the "Iowa State Register" of the 22d of January, 1878, thus spoke of speaker Stone on this point:

No man, old or young, knows better the whole Iowa people, their real character, worth and virtues, than John Y. Stone. For he has sprung from their own ranks, and is prouder of his origin than ever royal heir was of family pedigree or inherited title. He thus gained in early life that complete acquaintance with the people and their true interests, which is of more value to a public man and statesman than the graces of college or the polish of the arts. It is this nearness to the masses, and the true heart and ready hand he has ever borne in their interest, which have made him so strong in their defense, and so popular as a leader in their cause. It was a good tutelage, his life on the farm. It cultivated his breadth and liberality of character, his strength of will, his honesty and intrepidity of purpose.

Six months after the civil war broke out, in October, 1861, young Stone enlisted as a private in company F, 15th Iowa Infantry; was promoted to second lieutenant near the close of the next year, and was in all the battles in which General Crocker's famous Iowa brigade participated, and was with it in Sherman's great march to the sea. Those who

served with him and knew him best give him credit for great courage on the battle-field. On the 21st and 22d of July, 1864, in the great battles before Atlanta, Georgia, when a staff officer, he had three horses killed under him. He was in the hottest of the strife, near General McPherson when that gallant and heroic commander fell mortally wounded. The war developed the manly traits of Lieutenant Stone's character, and fitted him in part for eminent usefulness in the less exciting sphere of civil life.

In October, 1865, after studying law, he was admitted to the practice of that profession, making Glenwood his home. He rose rapidly at the bar, soon taking a leading rank, which he still holds. After his admission he attracted the notice of the people, who were quick to discover his adaptation for legislative work, and in the autumn of 1867, at the age of twenty-four, he was elected to the lower house of the general assembly. He labored so faithfully for the interests of his constituents, and made in all respects so creditable a record, that at the end of his term he was returned to the same branch of the legislature. At the end of his second term he was elected to the upper house, and when this term of four years was ended his constituents sent him a third time to the lower house. In that session, the sixteenth of the general assembly, he was made a candidate for speaker, and was beaten by Hon. John H. Gear, now governor of the state. During that session he was chairman of the judiciary committee, and the unquestioned leader of the house. In 1877 the constituents of Mr. Stone elected him a fifth time to the legislature; and when his term shall have expired, on the 31st of December, 1879, it will make twelve consecutive years that he has been a member. Long before the seventeenth general assembly now in session had met, it was evident that the leader of the house in the sixteenth, and the powerful competitor of Governor

Gear for the speaker's chair, would reach it this time without opposition; and when the legislators convened, and the republican caucus was held, Mr. Stone was nominated by acclamation, and when the final voting came, only two or three members of any party in the house failed to vote for him, a degree of unanimity in electing a speaker rarely witnessed in any legislative body. The wisdom of this choice is seen in the promptness, accuracy and facility with which speaker Stone discharges his duties.

He has been actively and notably connected with the discussion of almost all the important questions in the legislature for the last ten years, and has taken a prominent and influential part in moulding the legislation of the state during that time. In 1872, while in the senate, he was chairman of the committee on congressional districts, and drafted the present law dividing the state into such districts.

He has always been a consistent, unwavering republican, and in 1876 was a delegate-at-large to the national republican convention which met in Cincinnati and nominated Rutherford B. Hayes. He was selected by that convention as the Iowa member of the national republican committee, which position he now holds.

The wife of speaker Stone was Miss Harriet Solomon, of Glenwood, Iowa; married on the 8th of January, 1868. They have one child, Clarence. In the latter part of August, 1876, Mr. Stone and his little boy Clarence, then five years old, were violently thrown from a carriage in the streets of Glenwood. Unable to save both, the father, with a promptness inspired by affection, disregarding his own safety, held the child up with both hands, and received the whole shock himself. In thus attempt-

ing to save the life of his child, at the risk of his own, his left limb was broken just below the knee; but he had the great happiness of seeing his darling escape unhurt. This was done at the opening of the political campaign of that year; and so necessary was it deemed that Mr. Stone should be on the stump, that long before the splints were taken off, and contrary to the orders of his surgeon, he was seen in different parts of his district making speeches sitting on the side of a table or bench; and here it may be added that he is one of the most effective canvassers in the state. His last contest for election was one of the most exciting and hard fought ever made in a county canvass. It attracted attention throughout the state. Concerning this notable engagement, a political writer of the time remarked:

His last triumph, in a series of victories, that of succeeding over a most unholy combination of elements in his own county to defeat his reelection to the house, was notable and brilliant. He had to meet the meanest, and the most determined, and the best organized fight ever made against a candidate in a county contest in this state. With the mettle and the genius of leadership, he met the combined opposition and routed them completely.

Speaker Stone has bluish-gray eyes, brown hair, a florid complexion, a nervous-bilious yet rather even temperament; is five feet and nine inches tall, and weighs one hundred and seventy-five pounds. His build is very solid, and his general appearance that of health in the efflorescence of early summer-time.

Socially, his qualities are of the finest order. He has great magnetism, and was made for a leader; he has intellectual powers of a high order, with reserved forces yet to be developed, and ambition enough to draw them out whenever occasion calls for it. The favorite of his party, with prudence on his part he may yet have higher steps to take.

## HON. JOSHUA G. NEWBOLD,

### MOUNT PLEASANT.

JOSHUA G. NEWBOLD, at the time of writing (October, 1877,) in the executive chair of the state, is a native of Pennsylvania, and his ancestors in this country were among the very early settlers in New Jersey. They were Quakers, and consequently none of them figured in the struggle for the independence of the colonies. Governor Newbold is the son of Barzilla and Catherine Houseman Newbold; was born in Fayette county, on the 12th of May, 1830, and reared as a farmer. When he was eight

years of age the family moved to Westmoreland county, where he was educated in the common school, and also in a select school or academy, the latter taught by Dr. John Lewis, now of Grinnell, Iowa. At sixteen he returned with the family to Fayette county, where he remained eight years, assisting his father in running a flouring mill, when not teaching. When about nineteen he commenced the study of medicine, reading a year or more while teaching, and then abandoning the notion of being a physician.

in Malvern, and in all these things he gave faithful, conscientious service to the public.

Mr. Robbins was a Republican in politics, and always ranked high in the councils of his party. In 1912 he was elected to the state legislature, and served his term with honor and fidelity. While in the House, Mr. Robbins worked consistently in behalf of the Iowa farmers, and was true to the trust they reposed in him as a state official. Mills county may well be proud that his name is on the roll of those who have represented that particular district in the legislative body of this state.

J. D. Robbins was a man of unusual business ability, strict integrity, and sterling honesty in all his dealings. He was not only well educated, but well read, and always availed himself of more than ordinary knowledge on all present day topics, so that his opinion was often sought and seriously considered. His beliefs were strong and it was difficult to alter his convictions. When he had once made up his mind upon a question, Mr. Robbins would sacrifice rather than compromise with the wrong. Unfortunately, we do not have enough public officers of that type. The community in which he lived, his county and state lost a good friend, a capable citizen, and a loyal Iowan when he left this world.

He is survived by his wife, his son, L. L. Robbins of Hastings, and his daughters, Mrs. Ina Lisle of Hastings, and Mrs. Fern Wilson of Harlan.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-third General Assembly, That in the death of Hon. J. D. Robbins this state has lost a public spirited man of the highest quality, and this House, by this resolution, tenders its sympathy to the relatives that survive him.*

*Be It Further Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Journal, and an enrolled copy sent to the surviving relatives.*

OTHA D. WEARIN,  
HARRY M. GREENE,  
L. O. CLARK,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929.

#### HON. JOHN Y. STONE

**MR. SPEAKER:** Your committee appointed to prepare a resolution commemorating the life and services of the Honorable John Y. Stone, late of Mills county, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following memorial:

The Honorable John Y. Stone, who represented Mills county in the Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, and Sixteenth sessions of the Iowa legislature, and was Speaker of the House in the Seventeenth session, was born in Illinois in 1843. In 1856 he left the native haunts of his home, came west and located in Silver Creek valley in Mills county. Less than five years came and went until the rumble of war drums came echoing into Iowa. John Y. Stone enlisted in the Union forces in 1861, where he fought bravely and consistently during the four years of the struggle, until 1865, rising to the rank of a first lieutenant. At the close of the war we find him returning to Mills county again and engaging

Throughout the entire period of his life Mr. Stone was an attorney of marked ability in the court room, and was known from boundary to boundary in Iowa. One of his colleagues characterized him thus: "He was always courteous and gentlemanly with all his legal adversaries, actuated by the highest motives of honor and integrity in all his legal battles, appreciative of the rights of others, fighting with all the power of his mighty intellect to secure a victory, but scrupulously careful that that should be an honorable victory.

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Through contact with literature in its many forms a man acquires that interest in those things outside his own life's activities which make him of the highest value to society. General Stone was a voluminous reader and possessed a knowledge of a wide range of men, things and affairs. With this vast knowledge and inborn ability to comprehend and accurately analyze, coupled with his keen sense of fairness, his gentlemanly, courtly manner, it was possible for him in writing and speaking to defend his views in a striking fashion without offending those who differed with him. During his lifetime in Glenwood, he was an outstanding figure in a group of philosophical friends that have at different times received the recognition of men and journals of mark, in the state of Iowa. His philosophical writings show the mark of genius, and always, when read aloud in his even toned voice, held his listeners spellbound. There was a quiet unassuming dignity about the man that marked him as one of distinction. Great as were the honors heaped upon him, and many the titles he deservedly earned, none is greater than that which everyone who knew him best gave him, the respect always paid to a loyal citizen and a gentleman.

In the Attorney General's office of the capitol building of the state of Iowa, there hangs a beautiful picture of General Stone done by the state in order that future generations may be acquainted with the physical likeness of this man of mighty intellect who has left an impression of his forceful personality and his progressive thought in the statutes of this great commonwealth which he served so eminently. The community, the county and the state which he honored by his residence for more than three-quarters of a century, miss the spirit of his presence.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-third General Assembly, That in the death of the Honorable John Y. Stone the state has lost a public spirited man of the highest quality, and this House, by this resolution, tenders its sympathy to his circle of friends and relatives surviving him.*

*Be It Further Resolved, That this resolution be spread upon the Journal and an enrolled copy be sent to the surviving relatives.*

OTHA D. WEARIN,  
HOMER HUSH,  
WILBER F. HUBBARD,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929.

in publishing, acquiring an interest in the *Glenwood Opinion*. Meanwhile, a certain Attorney Hale welcomed him into his law office, where he read the law of the state and nation until 1868, when he was admitted to the bar, and eventually became one of Iowa's foremost attorneys. It was while General Stone was home on a furlough from his service in the army, early in the year of 1864, that he learned of plans to establish a newspaper in Glenwood, and also met P. T. Ballard, a printer who had recently arrived in the little city, and was engaged in sorting some badly pied type. The close of the war brought a strengthening of the acquaintance with Ballard that crystalized into friendship, resulting in their entering into a publishing enterprise together. Mr. Stone acquired a half interest in the paper, known at that time as *Our Opinion*. He assumed the editorship of the publication at the age of twenty-two, and edited it in a creditable manner, indicating his natural mental ability that was destined to carry him into a field of wide and more famous activity. The end of the two-year period of editorship may have marked the close of a career that might have resulted in a journalist of national distinction.

Mr. Stone was a Republican in politics, and eventually became a figure of national recognition. It is not generally known that he was one of a small group of men selected to manage the pre-convention campaign of United States Senator Allison for the Republican nomination for the presidency of the United States. Had the latter individual been successful, is it difficult to assume where General Stone's political career would have eventually led him.

Mr. Stone began his political activities in the state legislature. He was selected to serve in the House during the Twelfth and Thirteenth sessions, at the close of which time he was chosen to represent his district in the Iowa Senate during the Fourteenth and Fifteenth sessions, and then was returned to the House again for the Sixteenth and Seventeenth, being chosen Speaker of that body during the latter period. It was probably in the latter position that he won for himself sufficient distinction in the ranks of his party to be selected as its candidate for Attorney General of the State of Iowa, and served in that capacity from 1889 to 1895. We are told by those who were high in the political councils of the state at that time that Mr. Stone was tendered the support of the G. O. P. for the governorship of the state, but declined the honor and returned to private life and the resumption of his law practice in Glenwood, Iowa. At two different intervals he was chosen as a delegate to the National Republican Convention and on one occasion served as chairman of the Iowa delegation.

Mills county rightfully treasures the thought that the state feeble-minded institution would not have been located at Glenwood had it not been for the efforts of Mr. Stone during his service in the legislature, where he secured the necessary legislation creating a school for sub-normal children and later lent his influence toward having it established in its present location and fought for its retention when efforts were directed toward moving it to another location. Dr. George Mogridge, the present superintendent of the institution, has characterized this work of General Stone's as one of the most forward looking achievements for the benefit of the state experienced during its entire existence as a state.

## CHAPTER XXXVI.

### GLENWOOD.

*Daniel H. Solomon, William Hale, John Y. Stone.*

These men were the only ones I knew of the early lawyers of Mills County. Of *Daniel H. Solomon*, I have been able to find but little data. He was one of the early settlers, as well as one of the earliest lawyers of Mills County, and took a prominent part in its organization. He was a prominent member of the Constitutional Convention of 1857, and took a leading part in the discussion of some of its measures (*Annals of Iowa*, Vol. II, third series, p. 563), and at the Reunion of the survivors of that body at Des Moines, in 1882, he was present and made an eloquent address. Whether he remained in Glenwood up to the time of his death, I am unable to say. The last time I saw him was at that place some twenty-seven or twenty-eight years ago. In company with John Y. Stone and William Hale, I was invited to dine at Mr. Solomon's house. His hospitality was abundant, and he and his wife gave us a gracious welcome and entertainment. She, I recollect, was a daughter of the distinguished Colonel Hardin, of early Illinois. Mr. Solomon was a gentleman of pleasing manners, companionable and highly entertaining. He had a keen sense of wit and was a delightful raconteur. I have always distinctly recollected this incident which he related: He said that he went on a business mission to St. Louis, and going to the residence of the person he desired to see, he was met at the door, in response to a ring of the bell, by an airy, colored servant, to whom he expressed a desire to see her master. She retired and soon returned, saying that her master desired to know where he was from and what his business was. Whereupon Solomon said, "Tell your master that I am a lawyer from Glenwood, and my name is not Marks." To those who are familiar with *Uncle Tom's Cabin*—and it was familiar to everybody at that time—it will be remembered that one of its characters frequently appears in one part of the book, and on each occasion pompously thus announces himself: "I am a lawyer and my name is Marks." The incident illustrates the quickness of Mr. Solomon's wit. But Mr. Solomon was not only a gracious gentleman, but a learned and able lawyer, well known in the early period of that part of the State.

Of *William Hale*, I have no particular data in regard to his nativity and boyhood. My recollection is that he was born in my own County of Wapello, where he occasionally came to visit an aunt and other relatives. He studied law in Oskaloosa, and I think, with Judge Crookham, for of that eccentric gentleman he told me a number of anecdotes. He must have gone to Glenwood soon after his admission to the bar. I first met him on the convening of the House of the Tenth General Assembly, of which we were fellow members fifty-two years ago from this writing, he being elected from Mills County, and I from Wapello. Two years after, in the fall of 1865, he was re-elected to the House, and I to the Senate, which gave us a mutual opportunity to continue our acquaintance. In the House we co-operated closely in regard to the swamp land title controversy which greatly affected his part of the State. He was devoted to the interests of his constituents, and was a leader in every measure designed to relieve or benefit them. He worked with an ardor that made him conspicuous. He became influential in politics, was most favorably mentioned for Congress, and in 1868 he was one of the Republican presidential electors and cast his vote for General Grant. During President Grant's administration Mr. Hale was, by him, appointed Governor of Wyoming, and died while occupying that position.

He was a good thinker and a good lawyer, and one of the best fellows in the world; bright, witty, good natured and companionable in the highest degree. To me his presence was always a charm. The last time I saw him was shortly before his death. While trying a case at Glenwood I was informed by my associate, John Y. Stone, that Governor Hale was a guest at a hotel at Omaha, and we went together to see him. He was the same frank and charming man. He had not outgrown the personal fascination which attracted everybody who knew him when he was young. I had learned that he was not in good health, but during the interview I remarked that I thought he looked as if he were. He shook his head and replied that he feared he was suffering from an incurable malady. He was a victim of Bright's disease. His untimely death is mourned to this day by those who knew him.

*John Y. Stone* was a native of Sangamon County, Illinois, born in 1843, of Virginian extraction. His father, with the family, settled on a farm in Mills County, Iowa, in 1856. On this farm John was reared and thoroughly learned the art of agriculture, for which he always continued to have a decided inclination, and with the farming class, the true yeomanry of every country, he was always a favorite. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted as a soldier in Company F, of the Fifteenth Iowa Infantry. Gen. W. W. Belknap and John M. Hedrick were successively Colonels of that regiment. General Hedrick and myself were fellow townsmen, and on different occasions he extolled in the highest terms, as did also General Belknap, the bravery of John Y. Stone as a soldier. The year following

his enlistment he was promoted to Second Lieutenant of his company. He participated in all the battles in which Crocker's famous brigade engaged, and accompanied it in Sherman's March to the Sea. He became a member of the commanding officer's staff, and in the fierce battle before Atlanta, had three horses shot from under him. On all occasions he displayed intrepid courage and was regarded as one of the bravest of the brave.

On his return from the army he studied law in the office of William Hale and became his partner after being admitted to the bar. They established a highly successful practice and became known as among the ablest lawyers of the western slope. I was once associated with Mr. Stone in a highly important case, referred to in my sketch of Judge Joseph R. Reed. It occupied several days and the skilful management he evinced in it from beginning to end placed him in my estimation as one of the strongest trial lawyers in the State.

He had made good use of his opportunities for studying the elementary principles upon which the law is based, and was apt and strong in applying them as occasion required. He was a keen judge of human nature, of men, and the various motives that are likely to influence their conduct. He took quite an active part in politics during the early and middle portion of his life, but relaxed his efforts in that direction as the years advanced, devoting himself to his large practice.

His career, both professional and political, had been highly successful. In 1867 he was elected to the House of the Twelfth General Assembly, and in 1869 was elected to the House of the Thirteenth General Assembly. In the fall of 1871 he was elected to the Senate of the Fourteenth General Assembly, and in 1875 he was again elected to the House, and again in 1877, and was made Speaker of the House of the Seventeenth General Assembly. In all of these legislative bodies he was a prominent leader and exercised great influence upon the legislation of that period. In 1876 he was a delegate to the Republican National Convention, from 1876 to 1880 he was a member of the National Republican Committee, and in 1884 he was again a delegate to the Republican National Convention. In 1888 he was nominated and elected Attorney-General of the State; at the end of that term he was renominated and re-elected, and at the end of that term again renominated and re-elected. He served in that high capacity with great credit to himself and the State. He would have ably filled any office within the gift of the people. As already indicated, he largely withdrew from active politics in later life, devoting himself to and gratifying his natural inclination in the cultivating and bringing into bearing, it is said, the largest apple orchard in the State. I do not know whether he be living; if he is the stirring events of his long and diversified career must furnish him with a gratifying retrospect in his declining years. It is pleasant to think and write of these men, and as I do, my remembrance expands like the circle on the water.



William and Nancy Stogdill

County, Indiana, and was the daughter of Patrick Collier and Martha (Cummins) Collier. She had six brothers, John, Daniel, Jihson, Edward, Charles and Jason, and one sister, Hannah.

Lewis and Nancy were the parents of ten children, all of whom were born in Davis County, Iowa: Lorene was born in 1893 and died at birth. Goldie Alberta was born July 10, 1894, and died September 25, 1978. She married Grover C. Howard September 16, 1914. Noah Edgar was born August 9, 1895 and died May 5, 1968. He married Nancy Faye Wilhem September 16, 1914. Cora Adelle was born August 14, 1898 and died May 11, 1974. She married Oscar Baldozier December 24, 1919. Letha May was born February 11, 1900. She married Eugene Baldozier August 6, 1924. Lillian Grace was born March 3, 1902 and died September 3, 1945. She was married to Clyde Johnson in 1922. Doss Herbert was born April 4, 1904. He married Gertrude Perkins April 21, 1925. Twins, Flo Etta and Cloe Netta, were born March 10, 1906. Flo died February 15, 1973. She married Bly Perkins November 15, 1924. Cloe married Ralph Hedlund February 29, 1928. Winford was born November 3, 1908 and died at eleven months.

In 1911, Lewis, Nancy and their children moved to Mills County. They settled on a farm near Silver City. Lewis continued in farm work for a number of years, living in the Silver City and Glenwood areas. They left the Glenwood area and moved south of Malvern and for a time Lewis worked with a Mills County road crew, grading and maintaining the roads. He also worked for Cadwell and Salyers putting in fills throughout the county.

In 1928, Lewis and Nancy moved to Malvern, where they lived the remainder of their lives. As long as their health permitted, they tended a large garden and their "yellow tomato preserves" became family legend. Music was a favorite pastime in later years, and their songs in two-part harmony entertained many of their grandchildren.

Nancy Ellender died on April 21, 1952 and William Lewis on August 29, 1953. Both are buried in the Silver City Cemetery. *Submitted by Velma Jean Boone*

### DUANE H. STONE FAMILY

Duane H. Stone was born August 28, 1923, near Glenwood, Iowa, the son of James Floyd Stone and Mary Suffina Andrews (Anders). They moved to Mills County in 1923 from Macedonia, Iowa. They resided here for four years again moving to Macedonia. In the 30's they moved south of Glenwood, again.

Duane attended Glenwood schools until he entered military service in 1940 joining Company I of Glenwood. Company I served in Africa and Italy during World War II. Part of his Company was captured at Casserine Pass in February of 1943. Duane and several other Glenwood men spent two years in a German Prisoner of War camp before their liberation by American troops in May of 1945.

Duane married Marjorie Mae Hammer, daughter of Herby H. Hammer and Ethel M. Speck, on July 21, 1947 in Glenwood, Iowa. They had five children: Steven Warren, born

April 8, 1948; Susan Elizabeth, born January 30, 1950; Dennis Duane, born September 8, 1953; Kevin Matthew, born January 22, 1959 and Lisa Beth, born October 9, 1963.

Steven married Cathy Jo Stephens August 14, 1968. They had two children, Catherine Denise, born February 3, 1970 and Christopher Steven, born January 15, 1972.

Susan married Robert L. Dyer June 6, 1969. They had two children, Jeffery Lane, born May 6, 1972, Matthew Scott, born September 12, 1975.

Dennis married Paula Barnes June 14, 1975. They had no children before their divorce in 1985. *Submitted by Susan Dyer*

### IRWIN AND MARJORIE STONE

Irwin Ivool Stone was born December 7, 1915 at Macedonia, Iowa. Parents were James Floyd Stone and Fina Mary Andrews of North Carolina. He was one of a family of nine children: Onice (Stiles); Vera (Andress); Anna (Clifford); Virgie (McClain); Viva (Knupple); Lorraine (Kruse); Warren, killed in Italy on December 5, 1943; and Duane. Irwin graduated from Glenwood, Iowa High School in 1933.

Marjorie Edna Harmon was born May 6, 1916 at Pacific Junction, Iowa. Parents were Roy Harmon and Ella Johnson of Pacific Junction, Iowa. She was one of three children: Mary Lois (Radford); and Alvin Duane. Marjorie graduated from Pacific Junction High School.

Irwin and Marjorie were married at Papillion, Nebraska on September 21, 1935. They are members of First Baptist Church of Glenwood.

Irwin farmed for 15 years around Glenwood and Pacific Junction; worked in construction for 13 years; served 25 years in National Guard, retiring in 1975; worked 16 years at the Glenwood State Hospital-School; and retired in 1983.

Marjorie worked as a housewife until they moved to town in 1954. She then worked eight years at Glenwood West School in the hot lunch program; and worked at Glenwood State Hospital-School 15 years, retiring in 1982. They have lived in Glenwood since 1954.

Irwin and Marjorie have two daughters: Karen Le, born July 24, 1938, married Joseph Sloup on July 1, 1961. They have four children: Joseph Irwin, born September 3, 1962; Rhonda Lee, born November 30, 1963; Michael Allen, born March 14, 1965; and Wesley Charles, born September 30, 1970.

Kristie Lee, born December 8, 1947, married Ted Henderson October 10, 1975, divorced in 1981. They have one daughter, Heidi Marjorie, born August 18, 1979, in Yokata, Japan.

### JAMES FLOYD STONE

James Floyd Stone was born September 23, 1878 in Alleghany County, in North Carolina the son of James Preston Stone and Julia Byrd.

He married Mary Suffina Andrews (Anders) daughter of Wesley Burriss Andrews and Theodicia Crouse (Kraus) on December 29, 1901 in Alleghany County, North Carolina.

In their early years of marriage they lived in North Carolina as farmers. Later they moved to West Virginia where Lloyd worked in the coal mines. Health problems caused them to move to Iowa near Macedonia around 1913.

Floyd and Fina had nine children; Onice, born November 18, 1902 died April 28, 1984, buried in West Oak cemetery near Glenwood, Iowa; Vera, born April 23, 1906; Virgie, born October 3, 1908; Veva, born September 14, 1911; Irvin, born December 7, 1915; Lorraine, September 17, 1918; Warren, born January 8, 1921, died near Cassio, Italy on December 5, 1943; and Duane, born August 28, 1923.

Around 1923 the family moved near Glenwood until 1927 when they moved back near Macedonia. In the 1930's they moved again near Glenwood. James Floyd died April 17, 1963 and Mary Suffina died May 21, 1959. They are bur-

ied near their son in the Glenwood cemetery. *Submitted by Susan Dyer*

### JOHN YOUNG STONE

John Y. Stone was born in Sangamon County, Illinois, April 23, 1843. He was one of three children born to Mary Ellen McLemore and William Langford Stone.



John Y. Stone

In 1853 the grandfather, Spencer Stone, came to Mills County, Iowa and entered one or more sections of land on Silver Creek from the government or bought it from settlers. In 1856 he returned to Illinois to get William's three children, their mother having died in February. Later William came to Mills County and farmed in the Silver Creek area with his children. William Langford died in August, 1899.

John Y. Stone attended schools in Athens, Illinois and later the school near his home in Iowa. He finished his schooling in Glenwood. He early had the desire to enter the legal profession and before he was eighteen he started reading law.

October 9, 1861 John Y. offered his services to the government, joining Company F, Fifteenth Infantry. He was appointed Corporal. He fought through the Civil War, becoming Second and later First Lieutenant.

On John Y's return home he began the study of law in the office of William Hale, an able lawyer in Glenwood. He was associated with several law firms in Glenwood, including Mr. Shirley Gilliland and with lawyers in Council Bluffs including Mr. Emmet Tinley.

Mr. Stone, a lifelong Republican, cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1864 at Marietta, Georgia, when his regiment was in camp preparing for the march to the sea.

In 1867, when but twenty-four years old, John Y. was elected to the Iowa House of Representatives and in 1871 he was elected to the Iowa Senate from Pottawattamie, Mills and Montgomery Counties. In 1876 he secured the passage of a bill for establishing the "Institution for Feeble Minded Children" in Glenwood. In 1888 he was elected Attorney General of Iowa and served for three terms. (From that time on he was often called "General" Stone.)

In 1884 Mr. Stone commenced planting an apple orchard a mile west of Glenwood. By 1892 he had 800 acres on which he had planted over 100,000 trees and 75,000 grape vines. Some years later the orchards were destroyed by blight and a heavy freeze. A fortune was lost in this venture.

John Y. Stone was married January 8, 1868 to Miss Harriet Solomon, daughter of Joel Solomon. Harriet was born June 1, 1847 and died May 9, 1903. A son, John Clarence was born May 5, 1871 and died July 3, 1919.

Clarence Stone was married September 12, 1894 to Jessie Winifred DeLashmutt (born August 7, 1875 and died December 2, 1952). Jes-

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sie was the daughter of Clay DeLashmutt and Sarah Elizabeth Gilliland.

Their children were John Ernest, William Lawrence, Harriet Louise and John Y. Stone, Jr. Ernest married Helen Kneeland of Malvern, Lawrence married Gayle Mickelwait, Louise married Dr. George Grassel McKhann.

The only surviving grandchild of John Y. Stone (who passed away in Glenwood, June 26, 1928) is Harriet Louise Stone McKhann of Phoenix, Arizona. Her husband, Dr. McKhann, passed away December 7, 1983. Submitted by Mrs. George G. McKhann



Stonebraker Home Place

## WILLIAM LANGFORD STONE

William Langford Stone was born March 30, 1822 in Kentucky. He was one of eleven children born to Spencer Stone and Elizabeth (Hargis).

In 1853, Spencer came to Mills County, Iowa and secured one or more sections of land along Silver Creek. In the fall of 1856 he returned in a covered wagon to Illinois to get William Langford's three children. Their mother, Mary Ellen Maclemore, had died February, 1856, having married William Stone in early womanhood.

William Stone couldn't leave Illinois then so the grandfather took the boy, John Young Stone, and his two younger sisters, Nannie and Elizabeth, and made the trip back to Iowa along with other family members. They left their Illinois home on September 1 and arrived at their destination in Silver Creek on September 13. Within several months William Stone joined them in Mills County.

For two years William Stone rented land from his father. His son, John Young, usually called "Boss," assisted him. William then purchased 80 acres of land, making small payments on it and from that property the father and son developed a farm and on it built a log house. About the close of the Civil War, he moved across the west side of Silver Creek and bought land there until he finally had a farm of 500 or more acres in both Silver Creek and Center Townships. He followed agricultural pursuits throughout his entire life, with the exception of a few months in Athens, Illinois, when he was in the coopering business.

On September 20, 1857, he married Sophia Patrick, who was born September 9, 1829. To this union, three children were born:

Elmer, born October 20, 1858, married Atlanta (Anderson) June 22, 1882. They had three children. Elmer died October 23, 1924.

Elma Eva, born May 30, 1861 married Charles C. Knight on February 2, 1879. They had two children. Eva died December 4, 1948.

Emma Grant, born April 28, 1863 married Milton Knight on September 17, 1882. They had 6 children. Emma died May 15, 1944.

William Langford Stone died on his farm August 27, 1899. His wife, Sophia, died December 10, 1920. Both are buried in East Liberty Cemetery.

In the division of the Stone estate it was publicized in print, "The kindly feeling and thoughtful consideration for each other's interests that has characterized this settlement is in refreshing contrast to the too frequent squabbles and litigation that occurs in the division of large estates." The value of the real estate in Mills County was estimated to be about \$20,000 at that time. The personal property valued at about \$3,000 wasn't divided at that time. There was also 240 acres in Howell County, Missouri and town property in West Plains, 320 acres in Greeley County, Nebraska and property in Kansas. Submitted by Virginia Seipold

## THE STONEBRAKER FAMILY

James Addison Stonebraker and his wife, Patience Newton Stonebraker, came to Anderson Township, Mills County, Iowa in 1875. J.A. Stonebraker was born in Belmont County, Ohio, August 22, 1848. Patience Newton was born in Athens County, Ohio, February 25, 1854. The Stonebrakers were married February 15, 1872 at New Lexington, Perry County, Ohio. Earlier, J.A. Stonebraker enlisted in the Union Army at

age sixteen. Served in Company K, 82nd Ohio Volunteer Infantry and participated in General Sherman's "March to the Sea."

The Stonebrakers had four children: daughters Elma, who died at age 10, Lulu Belle who married Solomon Perkins, and Urtha Almira who married Hugh Anderson, and a son, Sherman Gray Stonebraker. They moved to San Diego, California in 1915. J.A. Stonebraker died August 18, 1938 and Mrs. Stonebraker November 13, 1939. Both are buried at Fort Rosencrons National Cemetery at San Diego.

Sherman Gray Stonebraker was born January 13, 1888. He married Bessie Ellen Markel September 10, 1912. Sherman Stonebraker died March 25, 1975 and Bess Stonebraker died October 9, 1977. Three children were born to this union; Max L. Stonebraker, November 3, 1913; Freda Belle Stonebraker, October 8, 1918 and JoAnn Bernice, born March 30, 1928. Max Stonebraker married Geneva Wise Stonebraker September 2nd, 1978 and live near Glenwood, Iowa. Freda Belle married Robert Beasley of Union, Missouri and lives at Columbia, Missouri. Robert Beasley passed away March 1974. They were parents of 5 children, Jim Beasley, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Jeff Beasley, Fresno, California; twins, Lynne Johnson at High Rolls, New Mexico and Linda Mares, Ladero, Texas, and Ann Beasley, Columbia, Missouri.

JoAnn Bernice married John Adkins of Elliott, Iowa on May 1951. One son was born to this union, Michael Davis and lives at Bethany, Missouri. JoAnn Bernice died December 1979.

The Stonebraker farm was designated a Century Farm in 1976. Submitted by Max Stonebraker

## GREEN STOTTS

Green Stotts was born March 19, 1851 in Adair County, KY. His brothers were George and John. On June 11, 1871 in Gosport, Marion County, he married Emmeline Hunt, daughter of



Green and Emmeline Stotts

John and Rachel (Harsin) Hunt. She was born on Nov. 30, 1855. Her brother and sister were John and Nancy.

Green and Emmeline had 3 children; Nora was born April 6, 1872 in Kansas. She married Lee L. Bradway January 27, 1890. Their children were; Dean, Lloyd, Clifford, Maud, Nita, and Opal. Nora died in 1932 and is buried in the Malvern Cemetery.

Addie Dora born May 30, 1874 in Marion County, married Frank Alvin Decker February 7, 1890. Their children were Ernest, Guy, Arch, William, Ethel, Harold, Edith, Edna, and Gail. Addie died May 4, 1954 and is buried in the Malvern Cemetery.

William Clyde, born November 6, 1882 in Marion County, married Mattie Kerney March 23, 1905. After her death, he married Josie Kerney. William died August 27, 1965. He is buried at East Liberty Cemetery.

Green and Emmeline were farmers. Emmeline developed a chest problem and the doctor recommended she smoke. She carried her pipe in an apron pocket. Both smoked clay pipes. The tobacco came in cloth bags which was used later for clothing. They used coals to light the pipes, saving on matches.

In 1913 they completed the building of a home east of Q viaduct from the Glenwood State School. They had a large garden and chickens. They sold a few eggs and always figured their grocery list ahead of shopping. Old corn cake tobacco was first, then coffee and other necessary items. If there was a little left, they would buy a banana for a grandchild.

They were good, kind people caring for their family. Their grandson, Guy Decker, convalesced from a tonsilectomy at their home in 1921 and there were many others who benefited from their care.

On June 11, 1921 they celebrated their golden wedding with guests from Silver City, Hastings, Henderson, Malvern, and Glenwood. A large noon dinner was served. The Mills County Tribune reported "The bridegroom spoke words of thanks for the pleasure the visit of friends, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren gave him. He spoke of the pride in his family, and the joy they gave him and his good wife as they journey upon the declining path of life."

Green died in 1928 and Emmeline in 1932. They are buried in the Malvern Cemetery. By Ruth Phyllis Decker

## WILLIAM C. STOTTS

William Clyde Stotts, son of Green and Emmeline (Hunt) Stotts, was born November 6, 1882 near Knoxville. Much of his early youth was spent near Gresham, Nebraska and then he came to Iowa with his family. He farmed with his father in the Carson area and later near Malvern where he joined the Methodist Church and held several offices.

On March 23, 1905 he married Mettie Jewell Kerney, daughter of Elzie and Laura (Hartley) Kerney. They were married by Rev. W.H. Cable of Malvern.

Willie and Mettie farmed in this vicinity for several years, later moving to Blair, Nebraska. In 1913 they purchased a farm in Pipestone County, between Ruthton and Holland, Minnesota. Upon the death of Mettie on May 16, 1953, Will returned to Malvern.

On March 25, 1954 he married Josie Elizabeth Kerney, Mettie's sister. They were married in the Methodist parsonage in Silver City by Rev. Ora L. Reep and were attended by Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Maddocks.

Willie became a member of the East Liberty Methodist Church where he held many offices and served as church school superintendent.

On August 15, 1965 Will suffered a stroke and was taken to Nishna Cottage in Malvern where he died on August 27, 1965.

Josie continued living on the farm until ill health forced her to move to the Nishna Care Center where she died July 20, 1980. Josie was a guiding force in the East Liberty community all

**Department of Iowa  
Grand Army of the Republic**

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Residence

Battles, etc.

Occupation Attorney

Nearest relatives

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Cause Place burial " "

Mother Mary Ellen

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Glenwood Cem.  
War record 2d Lt. F 15 Iowa Inf.

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Age 18 Res. Glenwood

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W. Lawrence, deceased

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Source: Roster Ia. Soldiers./ Ex-Soldiers  
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Graves Reg: birth, burial, family/

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Place

**Department of Iowa  
Grand Army of the Republic**

Veteran's name Stone, John Y

Record Membership and Dues Paid

Offices of honor in G. A. R.

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"After being disch he studied law, & was admitted to the bar at Glenwood, Ia in 1867. Was elected to House of Representatives in State Legislature the same yr, & was reelected again in 1869. In 1871 he was elected Senator for 4 yrs. In 1875, he was again elected to House of Representatives, being elected again in 1877, & in 1878 was made speaker of the House. Was a delegate at large to Nat'l Republican Convention at Cininatti in 1876. Served as Iowa member of Rep. Nat'l Committee for 4 yrs. Elected Att'y Gen of Iowa in 1888-1890-1892; Later organized the Iowa 51 Reg Nat'l Guards who served in the Philippines; also helped organize Co 1 of the 55 reg. Iowa."

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Died

## U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865

Name:	<b>John Y. Stone</b>
Side:	<b>Union</b>
Regiment	<b>Iowa</b>
State/Origin:	
Regiment Name:	<b>15 Iowa Infantry.</b>
Regiment Name Expanded:	<b>15th Regiment, Iowa Infantry</b>
Company:	<b>F</b>
Rank In:	<b>Corporal</b>
Rank In Expanded:	<b>Corporal</b>
Rank Out:	<b>Second Lieutenant</b>
Rank Out Expanded:	<b>Second Lieutenant</b>
Film Number:	<b>M541 roll 25</b>
<b>Source Information:</b>	
National Park Service. <i>U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865</i> [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2007.	
Original data: National Park Service, Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System, online < <a href="http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/">http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/</a> >, acquired 2007.	
<b>Description:</b>	
This database contains the names of approximately 6.3 million soldiers who served in the American Civil War. In addition to their names, information that may be listed for each soldier includes regiment, company, and rank. <a href="#">Learn more...</a>	

*John y. Stone*

3<sup>d</sup>. Second Lieutenant . F. Company.

Born in Illinois . 1843.

Enlisted as Private , October 10.1861.

Promoted , 4<sup>th</sup> Corporal , October 10.1861.

Wounded in breast , in

Battle at SHILOH , April 6. 1862.

Promoted , 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant , May 1862.

Promoted , 2<sup>d</sup> Lieutenant , May 22.1862 ,  
vice Throckmorton , promoted.

Acting Adjutant , September 1863.

Mustered out at expiration term of service , December 18.1864 .

1860 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>John Y Stone</b>	
Age in 1860:	17	
Birth Year:	abt 1843	
Birthplace:	Illinois	
Home in 1860:	Silvercreek, Mills, Iowa	
Gender:	Male	
Post Office:	Mount Olive	
Value of real estate:	<a href="#">View image</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">Wm L Stone</a>	38
	<a href="#">Sophia Stone</a>	27
	<a href="#">John Y Stone</a>	17
	<a href="#">Elizabeth E Stone</a>	15
	<a href="#">Nancy A Stone</a>	12
	<a href="#">J E Stone</a>	1

**Source Citation:** Year: 1860; Census Place: Silvercreek, Mills, Iowa; Roll M653\_336; Page: 97; Image: 99; Family History Library Film: 803336.

**Source Information:**  
 Ancestry.com. 1860 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.

Original data: 1860 U.S. census, population schedule. NARA microfilm publication M653, 1,438 rolls. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.

**Description:**  
 This database is an index to individuals enumerated in the 1860 United States Federal Census, the Eighth Census of the United States. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, age as of the census day, sex, color; birthplace, occupation of males over age fifteen, and more. No relationships were shown between members of a household. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1860 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)



You searched for **John Y. Stone** in **Iowa**

1870 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>John Y Stone</b>	
Birth Year:	<b>abt 1843</b>	
Age in 1870:	<b>27</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Illinois</b>	
Home in 1870:	<b>Glenwood Ward 3, Mills, Iowa</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	
Value of real estate:	<a href="#">View image</a>	
Post Office:	<b>Glenwood</b>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<b>John Y Stone</b>	<b>27</b>
	<b>Hattie Stone</b>	<b>24</b>
	<b>Nannie Stone</b>	<b>21</b>

**Source Citation:** Year: 1870; Census Place: Glenwood Ward 3, Mills, Iowa; Roll M593\_411; Page: 354; Image: 73; Family History Library Film: 545910.

**Source Information:**  
 Ancestry.com. 1870 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.

**Original data:**

- 1870 U.S. census, population schedules. NARA microfilm publication M593, 1,761 rolls. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.
- Minnesota census schedules for 1870. NARA microfilm publication T132, 13 rolls. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.

**Description:**  
 This database is an Index to individuals enumerated in the 1870 United States Federal Census, the Ninth Census of the United States. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, age at last birthday, sex, color, birthplace, occupation, and more. No relationships were shown between members of a household. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1870 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)



You searched for **John Y. Stone** in **Iowa**

1900 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>John Y Stone</b>	
Home in 1900:	<b>Glenwood, Mills, Iowa</b>	
Age:	<b>57</b>	
Birth Date:	<b>Apr 1843</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Illinois</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	
Relationship to Head of House:	<b>Head</b>	
Father's Birthplace:	<b>Kentucky</b>	
Mother's Birthplace:	<b>Tennessee</b>	
Spouse's name:	<b>Hariett</b>	
Marriage Year:	<b>1868</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>	
Years Married:	<b>32</b>	
Occupation:	<a href="#">View on Image</a>	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<b>John Y Stone</b>	<b>57</b>
	<b>Hariett Stone</b>	<b>52</b>

**Source Citation:** Year: 1900; Census Place: Glenwood, Mills, Iowa; Roll: T623\_448; Page: 20A; Enumeration District: 94.

**Source Information:** Ancestry.com. 1900 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2004.



Original data: United States of America, Bureau of the Census. *Twelfth Census of the United States, 1900*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1900. T623, 1854 rolls.

**Description:**  
This database is an index to individuals enumerated in the 1900 United States Federal Census, the Twelfth Census of the United States. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, address, relationship to the head of household, color or race, sex, month and year of birth, age at last birthday, marital status, number of years married, the total number of children born of the mother, the number of those children living, birthplace, birthplace of father and mother, if the individual was foreign born, the year of immigration and the number of years in the United States, the citizenship status of foreign-born individuals over age twenty-one, occupation, and more. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1900 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)





Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	<b>John Y Stone</b>	
Birth Year:	abt 1844	
Birth Place:	Illinois	
Gender:	Male	
Race:	White	
Marital Status:	Widowed	
Census Date:	1 Jan 1925	
Residence State:	Iowa	
Residence County:	Mills	
Locality:	Emerson	
Mother:	Mary E Mclemore	
Mother's Birthplace:	Tennessee	
Father:	William L Stone [William L Stone]	
Father's Birthplace:	Ket	
Marriage Place:	Illinois	
Roll:	IA1925_1845	
Line:	19	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	John Y Stone	81

**Source Information:**  
 Ancestry.com. *Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2007.  
 Original data: Microfilm of Iowa State Censuses, 1856, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, 1925 as well as various special censuses from 1836-1897 obtained from the State Historical Society of Iowa via Heritage Quest.

**Description:**  
 This database contains Iowa state censuses for the following years: 1856, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, and 1925. It also includes some head of household censuses and other special censuses from 1836-1897. Information available for an individual will vary according to the census year and the information requested on the census form. Some of the information contained in this database though includes: name, age, gender, race, birthplace, marital status, and place of enumeration.  
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### Iowa Cemetery Records

Name:	<b>John Y. Stone</b>
Death Date:	<b>26 Jun 1928</b>
Page #:	<b>95</b>
Birth Date:	<b>1843</b>
Cemetery:	<b>Glenwood</b>
Town:	<b>Glenwood</b>
Comment:	<b>wif: Harriet</b>
Level Info:	<b><i>Incomplete Grave Stone Records of Mills County, Iowa</i></b>

**Source Information:**  
Ancestry.com. *Iowa Cemetery Records* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2000.  
Original data: Works Project Administration. *Graves Registration Project*. Washington, D.C.: n.p., n.d.

**Description:**  
These cemetery records represent seventy-six counties and Graceland Cemetery of Sioux City, Iowa, in the United States, that were transcribed by the Works Project Administration. Records in this database generally include the page number where the record can be found in the WPA index, the name of the deceased, birth date, death date, age, cemetery name, town name, and additional comments if any. [Learn more...](#)



# State of Iowa

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,

Des Moines, Nov. 8th, 1871.

Hon. \_\_\_\_\_

Iowa.

DEAR SIR:

It has been the custom of each House, at the commencement of every session of the General Assembly, to cause to be prepared and published, a table, showing certain statistics in connection with the names of the members thereof. This is usually done in much haste, hence is frequently incorrect; especially in the orthography of names. In order to prevent errors of this kind, and to have the table in print at the commencement of the session, I transmit you this circular, with a request that you will fill up the blanks found below, and return to this office as soon as practical. You will please give the first name in full, and write plainly.

Name..... *John Y. Stone* .....

P. O. Address..... *Glenwood -* .....

County..... *Mills* .....

Occupation..... *Lawyer* .....

Nativity..... *Illinois* .....

Married or Single..... *Married (and one baby)* .....

Religion..... *Liberal* .....

If in the Service; regiment and rank..... *25th Co. F. 15th Iowa Inf.* .....

Years in Iowa..... *15 years* .....

Age..... *28 years* .....

Weight..... *160 pounds* .....

I send herewith a copy of the rules of last Session of the General Assembly, in which you will see the table above referred to.

Yours truly,

ED WRIGHT,

SECRETARY OF STATE.

STONE JOHN Y. Glenwood, Mills  
Co.; lawyer; born in Illinois; mar-  
ried; Editor; 2d Lieut. 15th Iowa  
Inf.; 13 years in Iowa. 26 years old,  
weighs 150.

*The Magazine Eclectic,  
Magazine, Iowa  
Shore. Jan. 20, 1870  
p. 1, col. 4, 5, 6, 7*