

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Rounds, Jabez Carpenter Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented Clayton County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 29 Aug 1818 Norton Township, Bristol County,  
Massachusetts

2. Marriage (s) date, place  
① Mehitable A. Walker 7 Feb 1841 Allentown, Allegheny, New York

② Amanda H. Mather 1865 Clayton County, Iowa

③ Stephina Rypocynski 1876 Clayton County, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business \_\_\_\_\_

B. Civic responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

C. Profession Farmer; raised livestock

4. Church membership Catholic

5. Sessions served 15<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1874

6. Public Offices

A. Local Township assessor; township clerk; secretary of school board;  
Justice of the Peace; Clayton County supervisor; Township Justice

B. State \_\_\_\_\_

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 6 Feb 1892 Mason Township, Clayton County, Iowa; Buried Elm Cemetery, Levan, Iowa

8. Children By 1<sup>st</sup> wife - Rosetta Melvina, Adley Jerome; Priscilla Maria; Clarilla Victoria;  
Montville Alpha; Joseph Sylvester; Marion Mayfield; Mary E.; Sumner Jonathan; by 3<sup>rd</sup> wife -

9. Names of parents Sylvester and Polly (Walker) Rounds

*dr. Postville, Iowa*

Rounds, Jabez C.

10. Education He was educated in the common schools of his neighborhood in New York state

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

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

- He went with his parents from Massachusetts to New York in 1820.
- In 1837 he went to Livingston County, Michigan where he engaged in farming until 1844.
- In 1844 he moved to Ogle County, Illinois remaining until 1855.
- In 1855 he located in Marion Township of Clayton County, Iowa
- He purchased 480 acres of land where he lived at his death.
- He was the one that named Marion Township in Clayton County, after much discussion among several others.
- He was postmaster for 9 years which resided at his home beginning in 1857.



HISTORY  
OF  
CLAYTON COUNTY,  
IOWA;

TOGETHER WITH SKETCHES OF ITS CITIES, VILLAGES AND TOWNSHIPS, EDUCATIONAL, RELIGIOUS, CIVIL, MILITARY, AND POLITICAL HISTORY; PORTRAITS OF PROMINENT PERSONS, AND BIOGRAPHIES OF REPRESENTATIVE CITIZENS.

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26, 1870; Amelia. Sept. 2, 1871; Engeborg L., July 15, 1873; Paulina S., Oct. 7, 1877; Eliza M., Oct. 7, 1879, and Anna C., Nov. 14, 1881. Mr. Paulson is a member of the Norwegian Lutheran church. In politics is a Republican.

*Jacob Paulson* (or Brorby) was born in Hadeland, Norway, April 27, 1835. His parents were Paul and Ingeborg Brorby, natives of Norway. The family came to America in 1851, and located in Marion Township, this county. The father died in 1853, the mother in 1854. They are buried in the Clermont Cemetery. The subject of this memoir was married in 1861 to Olena M. Ruland, who was born in Norway, Nov. 5, 1844. Eleven children have blessed this union, nine living—Paul, born Aug. 6, 1862, is clerking in Postville; Ingeborg Mathilde, July 20, 1864; Anna Marie, Nov. 7, 1866; Martin Johannes, March 23, 1870; Sven Julian, Nov. 4, 1871; Julia Louise, Jan. 20, 1875; Josephena Theodora, Oct. 7, 1876; Joseph, Dec. 1, 1878, and L. Emelia, Jan. 10, 1881. The family are members of the Norwegian Lutheran church. Mr. Paulson is a Republican. He owns a highly cultivated farm of 220 acres in Marion Township.

*Albert L. Peterson* was born in Christiana, Norway, June 13, 1848. When seven years of age his parents emigrated to America, first living in Prairie Du Chien. In the fall of 1857 they removed to Clayton County. They purchased land in Marion Township, where our subject spent his youth and received his education. He learned the trade of carpenter from his father, which business he now follows, besides conducting a small farm. He is now a Justice of the Peace, having been elected four years since. He was married July 23, 1869, to Miss Bertha K. Nelson. They have six children living—Peter N., Martin L., Caroline, Albertina, Lovina and Gustav Adolph. Adolph L. died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Peterson are members of the Norwegian Lutheran church. Politics, Republican. Postoffice, St. Olaf.

*J. C. Rounds*, son of Sylvester Rounds, was born in Norton Township, Bristol County, Mass., Aug. 29, 1818. He went with his parents to New York in 1820. He was educated there and in 1837 went to Livingston County, Mich. He engaged in farming there until 1844, when he removed to Ogle County, Ill. In 1855 he located in Marion Township, Clayton County, arriving here Sept. 18 of that year. He owns 490 broad and fertile acres and is one of the most extensive farmers and stock-breeders in the county. He was married to Stephina Rypezynski in 1876. She

is of German nativity, born Jan. 16, 1853. They have one child—Mary, born Feb. 4, 1877. Mr. Rounds has shown himself to be eminently fitted to hold public positions of trust and has been elected to many offices, among them Township Assessor, Township Clerk, Secretary of the School Board, Justice of the Peace and Supervisor. He represented this county in the Legislature in 1874 and 1875. He was instrumental in organizing Marion Township from Wagner. He has ever made Clayton County's interests his own and has done much to improve and advance her natural facilities and votes for the best men.

*M. M. Rounds* was born in Marion Township, Ia., Feb. 6, 1857. He was educated in Fayette Institute, Fayette County, Ia. He has followed farming all his life, working at first for his father and now for himself. His marriage occurred Mar. 30, 1879, to Abbie E. Mather, who was born in Iowa on Nov. 17, 1861. They have one child—Jessie O., born April 16, 1880. Mr. Rounds is a Democrat in political views. He is classed with the substantial men of Clayton County.

*T. H. Thorson* was born on the broad Atlantic Ocean, Aug. 5, 1850. His parents were then *en route* for America. They came at once to Iowa, and settled in Fayette County, where the mother died in 1857. The subject of this sketch received his education in Fayette County, and in 1879 came to Clayton County, and settled on section 17, Marion Township. He is quite an extensive landowner, and at present is farming 247 acres of good land. He is a member of the Norwegian Lutheran church. He affiliates with the Republican party.

## Individual Record

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**Jabez Carpenter Rounds** Compact Disc #142 Pin #4454311 [Pedigree](#)  
Sex: M

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### Event(s)

**Birth:** 29 Aug 1818  
, Bristol, Massachusetts, USA  
**Death:** 6 Feb 1892  
, Clayton, Iowa, USA  
**Burial:**  
Eno Cem, Wagner, Clayton, Iowa, USA

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### Parents

**Father:** [Sylvester Rounds](#) Disc #142 Pin #4450451  
**Mother:** [Polly Walker](#) Disc #142 Pin #4450452

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### Marriage(s)

**Spouse:** [Amanda H. Mather](#) Disc #142 Pin #4473438  
**Marriage:** 1865  
, Clayton, Iowa, USA  
**Spouse:** [Stephana Rypcynski](#) Disc #142 Pin #4473439  
**Marriage:** 1876  
**Spouse:** [Mahitta A. Walker](#) Disc #142 Pin #4454337  
**Marriage:** 7 Feb 1841  
Marion Twp, Livingston, Michigan, USA

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### Notes and Sources

**Notes:** Available on CD-ROM Disc# 142  
**Sources:** None

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ID: I123116  
 Name: Jabez Carpenter "J.C." Rounds  
 Sex: M  
 ALIA: J.C. /Rounds/  
 Birth: 29 AUG 1818 in Norton, Bristol Co., Massachusetts  
 Death: 6 FEB 1892 in Iowa  
 Burial: Eno Cemetery, Clayton Co., Iowa  
 Note:  
 SOURCE: Walter Rounds Genealogy;

"Township histories reprinted from History of Clayton County, Iowa, 1882 , Chicago: Inter-State Publishing Co., 1882. Reproduced by the sponsorship of the Monona Historical Society, Monona, Iowa, reproduction Evansville, Indiana: Unigraphics, Inc., 1975, pp. 927-928.

This township was named by J.C. Rounds, after a severe struggle with Judge Price, who first named it Morasser, but assented to a change if the township would vote for a change of the county seat (the Judge was in favor of Guttenberg, and he hoped to get the Marion vote for his favorite location); the name was changed and the election held, but not one vote was given for Guttenberg, and Judge Price was disgusted. This is the fourth township in as many different States that Mr. Rounds has named Marion, viz: Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa.

Marion Township is in the western tier of Clayton County, and is township 94 north, range 6 west of the fifth principal meridian. It is bounded on the north by Grand Meadow Township, on the east by Wagner, on the south by Highland, and on the west by Fayette County. It contains both timber and prairie areas, much of which is now in a good state of cultivation. The township is watered by Turkey River, which flows through its southern half, and numerous small tributaries.

The township was organized in 1855. It had previously formed a part of Wagner Township, and was in this year detached and organized independently. The first election was held soon after, at the house of Ole Oleson, section 15, northeast one-quarter, in the month of April. Notices for this election had been posted by J.C. Rounds. At this election nineteen votes were polled. The officers elected were: Clerk, J.C. Rounds ; Justices of the Peace, J.C. Rounds and Thomas J. Butcher; Assessor, J.C. Rounds; Constable, Jacob Light; Trustees, Willard Robbins and William Connor.

The present officers are: Clerk, H.S. Holstensen; Assessor, Thomas Oleson; Justices of the Peace, A.L. Peterson and E.E. Lein; Trustees, William C. Barber, Ole Johnson and B. Frieden; Constables, Ascrim Oleson and Jacob Paulson.

Before the present school law came in force, there was but one school in the township, and this was held on section 36. Who the first teacher was is unknown. At the present time there are nine school-houses, with an average value of \$300 each. The number of children in the township of school age is 390.

J.C. Rounds solemnized the first marriage, but no record was kept of their names.

The first death known was that of a daughter of William Conner.

The first postoffice was established in 1857. It is now the only east quarter of section 2, at J.C. Rounds' house, he is the Postmaster, and has been for some nine years. The first Postmaster was Benjamin Worthing. The annual receipts average about \$100 per year."

Ancestry Hints for [Jabez Carpenter "J.C." Rounds](#)

5 possible historical record matches

Father: [Sylvester Rounds , Jr.](#) b: 9 JAN 1788 in Rehoboth, Bristol Co., Massachusetts  
 Mother: [Polly Walker](#) b: 21 SEP 1794 in Dighton, Bristol Co., Massachusetts

Marriage 1 [Mahitabel A. "Mahitta" Walker](#) b: 23 APR 1823 in Allegany Co., New York  
 Married: 7 FEB 1841 in Livingston Co., Michigan

## Children

- [Rosaltha Malvina Rounds](#) b: 2 JAN 1842 in Michigan
- [Ashley Jerome Rounds](#) b: 18 DEC 1843
- [Priscilla Maria Rounds](#) b: 5 FEB 1845 in Marion Twp., Livingston Co., Michigan
- [Clarilla Victoria Rounds](#) b: 11 MAR 1847 in Marion Twp., Livingston Co., Michigan
- [Montville Alphonzo Rounds](#) b: 25 APR 1850 in Marion Twp., Livingston Co., Michigan
- [Joseph Sylvester Rounds](#) b: 29 SEP 1854 in Marion Twp., Livingston Co., Michigan
- [Marion Mayfield Rounds](#) b: 6 FEB 1857 in Clayton Co., Iowa
- [Mary E. Rounds](#) b: JAN 1859 in Marion, Clayton Co., Iowa
- [Sumner Jonathan Rounds](#) b: 5 AUG 1862 in Marion, Clayton Co., Iowa

Marriage 2 [Amanda H. Mather](#) b: 6 JUN 1835  
 Married: ABT 1866 in Iowa

Source: Iowa Territorial and State Legislators Collection compiled by volunteers and staff at the State Historical Society of Iowa Library, Des Moines, Iowa.

**Marriage 3** Stephana Rypstinsky b: 16 JAN 1853 in Schneidemuehl, , West Prussia

**Married:** ABT 1876 in Clarion, Clarion Co., Pennsylvania

**Children**

Mary Mahitta Rounds b: 4 FEB 1877 in Marion, Clayton Co., Iowa

Edith Josephine Rounds b: DEC 1878 in Marion, Clayton Co., Iowa

Frank Otto Rounds b: OCT 1882 in Iowa

George P. Rounds b: MAY 1884 in Iowa

Louis Leo Rounds b: 7 AUG 1885 in Iowa

Vincent Edward Rounds b: 25 FEB 1890 in Iowa

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## 1870 United States Federal Census

Name: **Jabez C Rounds**  
 Birth Year: **abt 1819**  
 Age in 1870: **51**  
 Birthplace: **Massachusetts**  
 Home in 1870: **Marion, Clayton, Iowa**  
 Race: **White**  
 Gender: **Male**  
 Value of real estate: [View image](#)  
 Post Office: **Strawberry Point**

Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">Jabez C Rounds</a>	51
	<a href="#">Amanda Rounds</a>	34
	<a href="#">Joseph Rounds</a>	16
	<a href="#">Marion Rounds</a>	13
	<a href="#">Summer Rounds</a>	8
	<a href="#">Florence Mather</a>	14
	<a href="#">Abby Mather</a>	10
	<a href="#">Delmer Mather</a>	12
	<a href="#">Hans Peterson</a>	26
	<a href="#">Peter Larson</a>	22
	<a href="#">Richart Larson</a>	28
	<a href="#">Anna Larson</a>	30

**Source Citation:** Year: 1870; Census Place: Marion, Clayton, Iowa; Roll M593\_383; Page: 3464; Image: 421; Family History Library Film: 545882.

**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.

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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...](#)



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## ROUNDS, Jabez C.

**Born:** 1818  
**Died:** 06 FEB 1892  
**Cemetery:** ENO  
**Location:** WAGNER TWP.  
**County:** CLAYTON CO. - IOWA  
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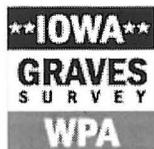
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## ROUNDS, Amanda H.

**Born:** 40Y  
**Died:** 22 JUN 1875  
**Cemetery:** ENO  
**Location:** WAGNER TWP.  
**County:** CLAYTON CO. - IOWA  
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