

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Prange, Claire Gurney Senator _____
Represented Mason County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 25th 1911 near Holland, Nebraska

2. Marriage (s) date place
① General Van Loon 10 Aug 1940

② Wences B. Simmons 22 Dec 1971

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Admitted to the Iowa Bar in 1941.

B. Civic responsibilities Veteran of Foreign Wars, American Legion

C. Profession Motor freight, grocery and coal storage, truck business

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 52nd General Assembly 1947-1948

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 27 June 1992

8. Children Paul

9. Names of parents Henry and Jessie Prange

10. Education Graduate of the Pleasantville schools in 1929

11. Degrees University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa 1936 but transferred
in 1937 to the Des Moines College of Law graduating in 1941.

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He moved to a farm near Marion North Dakota with his family
at an early age where they lived until 1922.
- The family then spent the winter on a farm near Ogilvie,
Minnesota and came to Pleasantville Iowa in Spring 1923.
- His first wife, Geneva, died 10 Aug 1970
- Military service - World War II - U. S. Navy

OBITUARY

Claire Gurney Prange

Claire G. Prange was born on February 25, 1911, in Holland, Nebraska, the son of Henry and Jessie Prange. At a very early age the family moved to a farm near Marion, North Dakota, where they resided until the fall of 1922. The family spent the winter on a farm near Ogilvie, Minnesota and came to Pleasantville in the spring of 1923.

Claire entered the seventh grade in the Pleasantville schools and graduated from it's high school in 1929. From that time and throughout his life he was engaged in various business activities.

In the fall of 1936 he attended the University of Iowa, in 1937 he transferred to the Des Moines College of Law, from which he was graduated in 1941. He was admitted to the Iowa Bar in that same year.

On August 10, 1940 he was united in marriage to Geneva Van Loon of Knoxville, Iowa. One son, Paul, was born to this union. Geneva died on August 10, 1970, exactly thirty years after their marriage.

On December 22, 1971, he was united in marriage to Florence B. Simmons of Pleasantville.

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Sunset and the evening star

And one clear call for me.

Let there be no moaning at the bar

When I put out to sea.

Services were held at the Mason Funeral Home on Wednesday, July 1. Officiating the services was Rev. George Yetter. Music was provided by Mildred Brooks, organist.

Pallbearers were Joe Collins, Paul Kockler, Don Inghram, Joe Stubbs, John Franey, and Darwin Wahl.

The final resting place is at Resthaven Mausoleum in West Des Moines.

Memorials can be made to the Pleasantville Rescue Unit of the Senior Citizens Center.

NEW ARRIVALS

Marc and Samantha McCann of Newton are the proud parents of a baby girl Letitia Ashley. Letitia was born June 30, 1992 and was 7 pounds and 14 ounces.

Grandparents are Rose McCann of Newton and Jerry McCann of Kellogg.

Great-grandparents are Bob and Betty Lamb of Pleasantville and Adelaide McCann of Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Clark, Simi Valley, California, are the proud parents of a baby boy, Trevor Christian born premature on June 12 weighing 3 lbs. 13 1/2 oz. and 16 inches long. Trevor is great grandson of Howard and Bette Van Zee of Pleasantville, Mary Meador, Camarillo, Cal. and Ann Richmond, Woodland Hills, Cal. Grandparents are former

on July 4th and go to the park and watch the flag raise with pride. We would stand proud and offer a moment of silence as the flag passed in the parade.

This last Fourth of July what did I see? Nothing!!! I was at the park to proudly watch my son and other eager Scouts raise the flag. There was not one other person besides the parents of these boys even near the park, but when we left the park 15 minutes later there was quite a crowd waiting in line for breakfast. There is nothing wrong with this, but would it have hurt anyone to delay eating for a few minutes to show some respect?

When the flag passed in the parade, I saw no one in the crowd stop and think about the men and women of this country who have given their lives so we can have the freedom and the privilege to celebrate the Fourth of July.

What are we teaching our children? That it is fine to take the privileges and offer nothing in return when all that is asked is respect. I try to teach my children that they have unique opportunities in this country and to take nothing for granted because it could change at any moment. I am afraid it will change if no one supports what this country stands for.

Next year when the Fourth is upon us try to attend the flag raising ceremony. When Old Glory passes you in the parade, think about what the flag means to you. Let us try to remember the ones who have lost their lives for our freedom. Let

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In 1946 he was elected to the Iowa House of Representatives where he served in the 52nd General Assembly in 1947 and 1948, representing Marion County.

He continued to be active in business matter after selling part of same in 1974 and 1975. He fully retired in 1992.

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Brian and Cindi Stickel are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Jessica Nicole. She was born Monday, July 6 and weighed 6 1/2 pounds and was 20 1/2 inches long. Jessica is

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Julie (Mason)
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TODAY'S PRAYER



Today's Prayer:
Thank you, Lord, for helping us forgive the mistakes of others. Amen.

Individual Record

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 Claire PRANGE

Birth Date: 25 Feb 1911
Death Date: 27 Jun 1992
Social Security Number: 485-36-0805
State or Territory Where Number Was Issued: Iowa

Death Residence Localities

ZIP Code: 50225
Localities: Beech, Marion, Iowa
Pleasantville, Marion, Iowa

Death Benefit Localities

Zip Code: 50225
Localities: Beech, Marion, Iowa
Pleasantville, Marion, Iowa

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