

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Oeth, Robert Louis Senator _____

Represented Dubuque County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 6 Oct 1921 Dubuque, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Rosemary Lohwing 1 July 1950 Dubuque, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Member of the Iowa Bar Association and the Dubuque City Bar Association

B. Civic responsibilities American Legion

C. Profession Attorney

4. Church membership Catholic

5. Sessions served 54th General Assembly 1951

6. Public Offices

A. Local Dubuque County attorney 1952-1962;

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 24 Nov 1989 Des Moines, Iowa; cremated

8. Children Jessica; Linn; Kresten; Larry; Steven; David

9. Names of parents John and Mary (Limb) Oeth

10. Education He was educated at Holy Ghost Parochial School
in Dubuque, Iowa and graduated from Dubuque High School

11. Degrees He graduated from the Drake University College of Law, Des
Moines, Iowa after attending Doane College at Crete, Nebraska

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- Military service - World War II - U.S. Navy 4½ years
- He practiced law in the Highland Park and Oak Park
areas of Des Moines before retirement in 1989
- He began practicing law in Dubuque, Iowa in 1949.

OBITUARIES

Robert L. Oeth

Robert L. Oeth, 68, of Des Moines, formerly of Dubuque, died Friday, Nov. 24, 1989, at Mercy Hospital Medical Center, Des Moines.

Services were today at All Saints Catholic Church, Des Moines. The cremains will be buried at a later date. The Highland Park Funeral Home in Des Moines was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Oeth was an attorney and former representative for Dubuque County in the Iowa Legislature, elected in 1951. He was Dubuque County attorney from 1952-1962. He practiced law in the Highland Park and Oak Park areas of Des Moines prior to retirement in 1989.

He was born on Oct. 6, 1921, in Dubuque, son of John and Mary (Link) Oeth. He married Rosemary Lolwing; she survives.

He was a World War II veteran of the navy, serving 4½ years. He was a member of the Iowa Bar Association. He and his wife lived in Des Moines for 23 years.

Also surviving are two daughters, Terese Linn of Des Moines and Kresten Oeth of Pittsburgh; three sons, Gary Oeth of Des Moines, Steven Oeth of Ogden, Iowa, and David Oeth of Rochester, Minn.; seven grandchildren; and a brother, Bernard Oeth of Dubuque.

Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society, Mercy Hospital Hospice and All Saints Catholic Church.

Viola M. Cosley

Michael E. Burkholder

POTOSI, Wis. — Michael E. Burkholder, 44, of Potosi died Saturday, Nov. 25, 1989, as the result of injuries sustained in a traffic accident on U.S. 151, 1 mile south of Dickeyville.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Metcalfe-Kuenster-Ganley Funeral Home, Potosi, where friends may call from 5 to 9 p.m. today. Burial of the remains will be at a later date.

Mr. Burkholder was a printer at the Telegraph Herald for 19 years.

He was born on Sept. 6, 1945, in Platteville, son of Victor and Rose (Dean) Burkholder. He married Judy Skaife; she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Michelle Burkholder of Potosi and Jodie Burkholder at home; a son, Dion Burkholder at home; a grandson; two sisters, Mrs. Dave (Josie) Kedley of Potosi and Mrs. Lyle (Betty) Woodcock of Indianapolis; a brother, Victor Burkholder Jr. of Lancaster; four half-sisters, Helen Kurth of McFarland, Mrs. Jake (Izzy) Kurth of Wyoming, Mrs. Kenny (Francis) Goke of Montfort and Mrs. Wayne (Leta) Buss of Dubuque; and two half-brothers, Robert Beyers of Platteville and Herman Beyers of Madison.

Ralph H. Edge

LANCASTER, Wis. — Services for Ralph H. Edge, 71, of Lancaster will be 11 a.m. Tuesday at the O'Rourke-Schwartz Funeral Home, Lancaster.

Burial will be in the Inside Cemetery, Lancaster, where military

Robert P.

MANCHESTER, Wis. — Robert P. Nall died Sunday, Nov. 26, 1989, at G. Manchester.

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O'BRIEN, Michael. (County Waterford, Ireland, Sept., 1803—**DUBUQUE COUNTY, IA, Mar. 6, 1859**). County treasurer and recorder. Coming to the United States in 1831, O'Brien moved to **DUBUQUE** in 1834 where he engaged in **MINING** and became politically active. In 1844, he served as an elected member of the Constitutional Convention in Iowa and was also elected to the first general assembly from January 1, 1846, to December 31, 1847, when he returned to Dubuque and local politics. In 1848, he was elected County Clerk and served one term from January 1, 1849, to December 31, 1850. O'Brien was elected County Treasurer and County Recorder in 1851 and served from January 1, 1852, until September 1858, when he resigned.

O'CONNOR, Bernard "Bernie." (Council Bluffs, IA—). Coach. In 1997, O'Connor was named the National Tennis Coach of the Year by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association. In thirty-eight years at **WAHLERT HIGH SCHOOL**, O'Connor coached three girls and three boys to state singles titles. Several students won doubles titles. In all, O'Connor coached seventeen state champions and runners-up.

O'CONNOR, Charles E. (**DUBUQUE, IA—Dubuque, IA, Jan. 30, 1985**). Attorney. O'Connor, hearing officer with the Federal Trade Commission during World War II, served as legal counsel to the War Crimes Commission in Dachau, Munich, and Frankfurt, Germany. Following the war, he served with the Displaced Person Commission before returning to the United States. He worked with the House of Representatives Small Business Committee until he retired in 1975.

O'CONNOR, Francis J. (New Hampton, IA, Mar. 16, 1916—**DUBUQUE, IA, Mar. 21, 1990**). Attorney. Assistant **DUBUQUE COUNTY** Attorney from 1942 to 1943 and chairperson of the Iowa Supreme Court's grievance committee, O'Connor served as legal counsel to the **ARCHDIOCESE OF DUBUQUE** for forty-seven years. In recognition of his service, Pope John Paul II awarded him the designation of Knight of St. Gregory in 1983.

O'CONNOR, Frank Aloysius. (Independence, IA, Aug. 2, 1875—**DUBUQUE, IA, June 21, 1954**). Attorney. Active in the Democratic Party, O'Connor served in the Iowa Legislature as a representative of Chickasaw County from 1906 to 1912. He was a delegate-at-large and chairman of the Iowa delegation at the Chicago Democratic convention in 1932, and in 1940 placed the name of Henry Wallace into nomination for vice-president. During World War I, O'Connor was a member of the Iowa Governor's Council of Defense and, in 1934, began service as a general counsel for the Farm Credit Administration. As the agency's gen-

eral agent, a position he held until 1937, O'Connor was responsible for the entire Farm Credit Administration. In Dubuque, O'Connor served as a director for the **ARCHDIOCESE OF DUBUQUE**. He was also a member of the Board of Regents for **LORAS COLLEGE**, president of the Dubuque Chamber of Commerce, and director of Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

O'CONNOR, Verni. (Elkport, IA, June 18, 1899—**DYERSVILLE, IA, Aug. 12, 1947**). President. O'Connor served as the president of the Buttermaker's Association in northern Iowa for three terms and as its secretary for two terms. In Dyersville, he operated the Farmer's Golden Star Creamery.

O'DONNELL, Frederick. (Unknown—**DUBUQUE, IA, Sept. 9, 1925**). Mayor. O'Donnell served as the mayor of Dubuque in 1883 and was then elected to the state legislature. He was nominated to a district court judgeship in 1892 and served fifteen years before retiring. (See: Appendix: Mayors)

O'DONNELL, T.J. (New Diggings, WI, May 13, 1872—**DUBUQUE, IA, May 27, 1961**). State representative. A graduate of **BAYLESS BUSINESS COLLEGE**, O'Donnell was employed in Dubuque machine shops until 1905. He was then in the wholesale liquor business until January 1, 1916. O'Donnell was elected to the Iowa House from 1917 to 1927 and was a member of the Highway Commission from 1927 to 1933.

O'DOWD, Clarence T. (**DUBUQUE, IA—Dubuque, IA, Nov. 21, 1982**). College administrator. A graduate of **LORAS COLLEGE**, O'Dowd returned to the college in 1939 as its assistant business manager. Promoted to business manager in 1952, he was named vice-president of business in 1957 and treasurer in 1958.

OETH, Arthur H. (**DUBUQUE, IA, Sept. 9, 1912—Dubuque, IA, June 24, 1997**). Home builder. Until his retirement in 1974, Oeth managed the Credit Bureau of Dubuque in addition to being a home builder and developer in the area for twenty-five years.

OETH, Robert. (**DUBUQUE, IA, Oct. 6, 1921—Des Moines, IA, Nov. 24, 1989**). Attorney. Oeth, a graduate of the Drake University College of Law, began the practice of law in Dubuque in October 1949. He served as a state representative from January 1, 1951, until December 31, 1952. Oeth subsequently served as County Attorney from January 1, 1953, through December 31, 1962. He practiced law in Des Moines until his retirement in 1989.



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Robert L Oeth

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Robert Louis Oeth

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Dubuque, Dubuque, Iowa, USA

Died: 24 Nov 1989
Des Moines, Polk, Iowa, USA

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Born: 1 Sep 1926 in Vinegar Hill Township, Jo Daviess, Illinois, USA
Died: 14 Jun 1998

Marriage: 1 Jul 1950 in Dubuque, Dubuque, Iowa, USA

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