

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of **Representative** Ballhagen, James W. Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Butler County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 3 Dec 1913 New Hartford, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Dorothy L. Rogens 6 Aug 1939 Nashua, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

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

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

C. Profession farmer; grocer; realtor

4. Church membership Baptist

5. Sessions served 55<sup>th</sup>, 56<sup>th</sup>, 57<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1953, 1955, 1957

6. Public Offices

A. Local \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

7. Death 4 Nov 1991 New Hartford, Iowa; buried Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford, Iowa

8. Children Marilyn (Marion Anderson); Jerry; Duane; Gordon;  
Beverly (Mrs. Mike Luck)

9. Names of parents Leont T. and Paul J. (Jensen) Ballhagen

10. Education Edvented in the New Hartford, Iowa public  
schools graduating in 1932

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

12. Other applicable information Republican

- After high school he worked as a trucker and drove a school bus in the New Hartford, Iowa area.
- In 1939 he purchased the Big-Rite grocery store in New Hartford
- He sold the grocery store in 1958 and sold real estate until retirement.





### WAYNE BALLHAGEN

Wayne W. Ballhagen, 77, of 1416 York Street, New Hartford, Iowa, died on Monday evening, November 4, 1991, at his home of cancer.

Wayne was born on December 3, 1913, in New Hartford, Iowa the son of Leon T. and Perl F. (Townsend) Ballhagen. He attended the New Hartford School System, graduating from the New Hartford High School in 1932. Following his schooling, he worked as a trucker and drove school bus in the New Hartford area. In 1939, Wayne purchased the Buy-Rite Grocery Store in New Hartford. On August 6, 1939, he was united in marriage to Dorothy L. Rogers at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. The couple made their home in New Hartford and Wayne continued to farm and operate the grocery store, and in 1943, the couple moved to their present home and farm. In 1953, Wayne served three terms with the House of Representatives for Iowa. In 1958, he sold the Grocery store, and became involved with selling real-estate in the New Hartford area until he retired.

From 1972 until 1983 Wayne and Dorothy spent a lot of time together at their cabin in Wis-

consin, and since 1976, the couple have been spending the winter months at their home in Frostproof, Florida. Wayne had many hobbies, but most of all he enjoyed pitching horseshoes, where he won a gold medal in the senior division of the Iowa Games. Wayne was also in several tournaments in Iowa and Florida, and participated in several world tournaments. He also enjoyed shuffle board, woodworking, crafts, gardening, and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife Dorothy L. of New Hartford, his children and their spouses: Marlys and Don Anderson of Waterloo, Jerry and June Ballhagen of New Hartford, Duane and Pat Ballhagen of West Frankfort, Illinois, Gordon (Gordy) and Delores Ballhagen and Beverly and Mike Luck, both of New Hartford; 10 grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter; 2 brothers, Elmer Ballhagen of New Hartford, and Lloyd Ballhagen of Tylertown, Mississippi; one sister Beulah DeVries of Mountain Home, Arkansas. He was preceded in death by his parents, Perl in 1952, Leon in 1968; and one sister Esther Rittgers in 1954.

Funeral services were held Friday, Nov. 8, 1991 at 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in New Hartford, with Pastor Paul McDowell officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford.

Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in Cedar Falls was in charge of the arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to the Cedar Valley Hospice or the church.

### THERON G. VE

Theron Grant VerSteeg, born on November 1, 1901, in Rock Rapids, Iowa, to Tony and Winerva VerSteeg.

He passed away at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City, Iowa on November 13, 1991 having attained an age of 90 years.

He attended at the University of Iowa from Western City School, Hull, Iowa. He attended and received his Bachelor's Degree in Education from the University of Iowa at Sioux Center, Iowa. He was an active member and sang in the DeWitt Concert Choir.

On June 17, 1927, he was united in marriage to W. Alena at the Christian Reformed Church in Valley, IA.

Theron and She W. Alena had three children: their third and fourth were born at the Timothy School in Wellsburg, Iowa. He was active in the Christian Ambassadors.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather and Florence VerSteeg, and Douglas VerSteeg, his maternal grandfather DeRuyter.

He is survived by his daughter Michelle (Shelly) VerSteeg, wife of and Winerva VerSteeg, Valley; maternal grandmother Gert DeRuyter of

**SHEFFIELD — William Mollenbeck**, 81, of rural Latimer, died Monday, Nov. 4, at Americana Nursing Home, Mason City, of natural causes; survivors include a daughter, Barbara Gruiš of Alexander; a son, John of Chenoa, Ill.; four grandchildren; a brother, Ted of Latimer; and four sisters, Hannah Deam of Sheffield, Mary Schermer and Pauline Johansen, both of Hampton, and Bernice Johansen of Latimer; he was preceded in death by his wife, Gracie; and two brothers; services will be 2 p.m. Friday at Zion Reformed Church, rural Sheffield, with burial in the church cemetery; friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Sietsema-Vogel Funeral Home, Hampton; Mr. Mollenbeck was a construction worker.

**NEW HARTFORD — Wayne W. Ballhagen**, 77, of New Hartford, died at his home Monday, Nov. 4, of cancer; survivors include his wife, Dorothy L.; two daughters, Marlys Anderson of Waterloo and Beverly Luck of New Hartford; three sons, Jerry and Gordon, both of New Hartford, and Duane of West Frankfurt, Ill.; 10 grandchildren; a great-grandchild; two brothers, Elmer of New Hartford and Lloyd of Tylertown, Miss.; and a sister, Beulah DeVries of Mountain Home, Ark.; he was preceded in death by a sister, Esther Rittgers; services will be 11 a.m. Friday at First Baptist Church, New Hartford, with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford; friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. today and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday at Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home, Cedar Falls, and for an hour before services Friday at the church; memorials may be made to the Cedar Valley Hospice or First Baptist Church; Mr. Ballhagen farmed, owned and operated Bye Rite Grocery Store in New Hartford, was a state representative, and also sold real estate.



Wayne Ballhagen

**IOWA FALLS — Hazel E. Simpson**, 94, of Iowa Falls, died Monday, Nov. 4, at Scenic Manor Nursing Home, of natural causes; survivors include two daughters, Marjorie Granzow of Belmont and Lucille Kane of Denver, Colo.; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren; she was preceded in death by her husband, Clifford; two brothers and two sisters; services at 2 p.m. today at First United Methodist Church, with burial in Union Cemetery, both in Iowa Falls; Surls Funeral Home, Iowa Falls, was in charge of arrangements; Mrs. Simpson was a telephone operator until her marriage.

**OELWEIN — Howard C. Loban**, 93, of Oelwein, died Tuesday, Nov. 5, of natural causes at Grandview Care Center, Oelwein; services 2 p.m. Friday at Brant-Kerns-Jamison Funeral Home, Oelwein; burial in Hazleton Cemetery; visitation at the funeral home 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday and an hour before services. (283-4922)

**OELWEIN — Cora Cree**, 91, of Oelwein, died Tuesday, Nov. 5, of natural causes at Oelwein Care Center; services pending at Brant-Kerns-Jamison Funeral Home, Oelwein. (283-4922)

**OELWEIN — Leona M. Mundt**, 83, of Oelwein, died Tuesday, Nov. 5, of heart failure at Mercy Hospital, Oelwein; services pending at Floral Hills Chapel Funeral Home, Oelwein. (636-2442)

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