

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Bock, Lena Belle Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Represented Winnebago County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 30 June 1904 Linden, Dallas County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Edwin Frederick Bock 10 June 1931 Kellerton, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

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

B. Civic responsibilities Eastern Star, Historical Society of Iowa, Red Cross, Garner Town and County Planning Council

C. Profession Housewife; teacher; postmaster; Bock Oil and Transport Company

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 59<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1961, 1963

6. Public Offices

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

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

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

7. Death \_\_\_\_\_

8. Children Mary Margaret (Mrs. Fred Bushnell); Virginia Mae (Mrs. Robert Lemire)

9. Names of parents Mrs. and Mrs. Mc Ginis

10. Education She graduated from Stanley, Iowa Consolidated School

11. Degrees She attended Iowa State Teachers College, Cedar Falls, Iowa

12. Other applicable information Republican and  
She taught Home Economics, History and Government for 8 years.



## Edwin F. Bock

Edwin F. Bock, 91, Clear Lake, died Monday, April 1, 1996 at North Iowa Mercy Health Center in Mason City.

Memorial services were held Saturday, April 6, at the United Methodist Church in Clear Lake with the Rev. Frederick Lewis and Rev. David Gobeli officiating. Masonic services were provided by the Clear Lake and Garner Masonic Lodges. The family suggests memorials be given in Edwin Bock's name to the Clear Lake Methodist Church.

Edwin Frederick Bock, was born in Klemme, Iowa, Jan. 24, 1905, the son of John and Naska (Wille) Bock. He graduated from the Garner High School in 1923, riding the M & St. L train to and from Klemme. He attended the University of Iowa from 1926-27 after teaching in country schools. In 1927 he began his business career as a tank wagon agent for Standard Oil Company before beginning Bock Oil Company in Garner in 1928.

On June 10, 1931 he married Lena Belle McGinnis in Kellerton, Iowa. In 1941, he established the Bock Transport Company which served gas stations and oil jobbers in agency to his business interests. During World War II, Bock was appointed by President Roosevelt to the National Petroleum and Tire Rationing Advisory Board. He was the regional director of the National Oil Jobbers Council, Jobbers Association, the National Automobile Dealers Association, the Iowa Motor

Truck Association.

Bock served 18 years on the Garner City Council, was secretary of the Garner Rotary Club, President of the Garner Chamber of Commerce, was twice elected as President of the Iowa Independent Oil Jobbers Association, was three times Past Master of Masonic Bethel Lodge No. 319 and was a Scottish Rite Shriner. He served on the Board of Stewards of the Garner Methodist Church. He earned his private pilot's license in 1928, flying a plane with an OX5 engine. He kept his license for over 50 years, flying regularly out of the Mason City Airport until he helped found the Garner Air Field. He flew to northern Minnesota often to fish and enjoyed hunting in Iowa and Wyoming. His life was one of commitment to his family and his community.

He is survived by his wife, Lena Belle Bock, Clear Lake; two daughters, Mary Margaret (Fred) Bushnell of Stillman Valley, Ill., and Virginia (Robert) Lemire of Lincoln, Mass.; a granddaughter, Elise Lemire; five grandsons, Robert Bock Lemire, and Frederic R. Bushnell III, John Bock Bushnell, Cade Jay Bushnell, and Edwin G. Bushnell; a great-granddaughter, Grace Bushnell; two great-grandsons, Thomas and Ross Bushnell; and a brother, Mitchell Bock and his wife, Ida Mae, Klemme.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Stella Burr, July 26, 1991.

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