

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative McElroy, Paul Edward Senator  
Represented Fremont County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 11 Nov 1907 near Percival farm in  
Fremont County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Lillian Mae Arthur 28 June 1936 Randalia, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business

B. Civic responsibilities Chief interest was Iowa Heart Association

in which he held county and state offices; Mason; Farm Bureau

C. Profession Farmer; partner in Percival and Taber, Iowa  
Lumber yards; Jayette County, Agricultural Agent.

4. Church membership Community Church

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

6. Public Offices

A. Local President of Fremont County Fair Association

B. State

C. National

7. Death 20 Nov 1965 Nebraska City, Nebraska; buried Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, Iowa

8. Children Sheryl (Mrs. Richard Spahr); Sharon (Mrs. Dale King);  
Heidi (Mrs. Randall Seeger); Paul Rodney

9. Names of parents Edward M. and Myrtle (Hadhama) McElroy

McElroy, Paul E.

10. Education He was educated in the Percival, Iowa  
schools

11. Degrees He received a B.S. from Iowa State College, Ames,  
Iowa, 1931

12. Other applicable information Republican

He met Lillian in Fayette County, Iowa where he was employed as  
the Fayette County Extension Director until 1942. They moved  
back to his home farm near Percival, Iowa.

- His wife, Lillian, also served in the Iowa Legislature, 64<sup>th</sup>, 65<sup>th</sup>, 66<sup>th</sup>  
General Assemblies 1971-1972, 1973-1974, 1975-1976 in the House of Representatives.



# McElroy Had Long Career Outstanding Public Service

## BUSINESS

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the parents of four children: Sheryl (Mrs. Jim Hunter) of Percival; Sharon (Mrs. Dale Hirz) of Ft. Lewis, Washington; Diane of Mesa, Ariz.; and Paul Rodney of Percival. His concern for others was shown by the McElroys' taking a foster-child into their home for five years.

In 1942 the family moved to Fremont county to begin farming near Percival. He maintained his vital interest in crops and livestock until his death.

Mr. McElroy was elected Fremont county's representative in the Iowa General Assembly in 1960 and served in the 59th and 60th sessions of that body in 1961 and 1963. He served in the special session of 1964. He retired from politics in that year.

Ten years ago he became interested in the work of the Iowa Heart Association and served as a volunteer. He became chairman of the Fremont county chapter of the Association, then served as a member of its state board of directors. In 1964 he was elected president of the Iowa Heart Association and in 1965 became chairman of the board.

He was active in the service of community and county organizations, including the Fremont County Farm Bureau, of which he was president, and the Fremont County Fair Association. He was president of the Fair board for 10 years. He served as a member of the county 4-H youth committee. He was a member of the Percival Community church and of the Percival Consolidated school board.

He joined his brother-in-law Lowell Sherwood 15 years ago in establishing the Sherwood-McElroy Lumber Co. of Percival, which some years later expanded its

Fremont county state representative Paul E. McElroy died at a Nebraska hospital November 20, 1965, after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the Larson Mortuary in Nebraska the afternoon of Nov. 23 at the Rev. Arthur Raeside, pastor of Percival Community church in charge.

Survivors include his wife, with whom Mr. McElroy has been associated as a farmer and neighbor, as a business man and in his career of public service were active or honoraries.

Funeral pallbearers were: Barton Bob Shirley, Lyman Wesley Sheldon, Bill and Coleman Sheldon. Honorary pallbearers were: Edgar Lawrence Barrett, Monaghan, Max Boyd, Raney, James Pullman, Andy, Larry Moyer, Ron and Homer Freeman. He was in Sidney cemetery.



Paul E. McElroy

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### PUBLIC NO

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The Board of Education Sidney Community School District is offering for sale passenger, 1953 Lincoln School Bus, License No.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the Secretary, Iowa, until 5:00 p.m. November 22, 1965. Said bids will be viewed and inspected at the School Bus Barn.

The Board of Education Sidney Community School District reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

(Signed) THERON D. Orr, Secretary  
Theron D. Orr, Secretary  
Sidney Community School District

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### Rules

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# REPORTER

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HAMBURG, IOWA, THURSDAY MORNING, NOV. 25, 1965

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## Firemen kept busy during past week

Local firemen were called to the farm of Ed Mincer, Jr. last Tuesday afternoon to extinguish a fire in his picker-sheller. The motor was ruined.

Friday morning they were summoned to the farm of Mrs. Harold Thompson where the house was on fire. The blaze started in the basement but the cause is unknown. The house was damaged extensively. The floor of the kitchen burned through as did a floor in a bedroom. The roof too was burned considerably. It is estimated that several thousand dollars damage resulted.

Firemen were again called out Sunday night when a car in front of George Leckenby's garage, belonging to George Winkler, caught fire as it was started. The motor was damaged and most of the wiring was burned.

## Paul McElroy burial at Sidney Tues.

Funeral services for Paul McElroy, former Fremont Co. state representative, were held at Nebraska City Tuesday afternoon. The Percival resident died Saturday night of cancer after a year's illness.

McElroy, 58, had served two terms as Fremont Representative from 1960 to 1964, but retired from politics when reapportionment of the legislature combined Fremont with Mills County. He was a Republican.

His business interests included farming and a partnership in the Percival and Tabor lumber yards.

A former president of the Fremont County Fair Association, his chief interest was the Iowa Heart Association, in which he held county and state offices. Mr. and Mrs. McElroy had won state recognition for their efforts in heart work.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian; daughters, Mrs. Jim Hunter of Percival, Mrs. Dale Hinz of Ft. Lewis, Wash., and Diane of Mesa, Ariz.; a son, Rodney of Percival; and a sister, Mrs. Orville Sonner, also of Percival.

Burial was at Sidney.

## Board exercises option to buy hospital site

### Legion ball team to be honored Fri.

Members of this year's Hamburg American Legion Junior baseball team, and their fathers, will be honored at a dinner at the high school this Friday night at 7:30. The dinner is sponsored by the Legion itself.

Principal speaker will be Bob Lade, head coach of football and baseball at Tarkio College.

### Alfred Holland dies Nov. 17

Alfred Holland died November 17 at the Hamburg Community Hospital at the age of 57. Funeral services were held Fri., Nov. 19, at the Rash Funeral Home with the Rev. John Pettit officiating. Burial was in the Hamburg cemetery.

A resident of Fremont County all his life, he was a World War II veteran. He was an employee of the County road department for a number of years.

Survivors include his wife, Bertha; one daughter, Mrs. (Charlotte) Willard Bradley of Rock Port, two sons, Clayton of Colorado Springs and James of East Riverdale, Md.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild; his father, O. C. Holland of Hamburg; four sisters, Mrs. Merlin Lord of Shenandoah, Mrs. Leon Reed of Council Bluffs, Mrs. Jake Jennings of Tabor and Mrs. Lynn Meyer of Nebraska City; one brother, Kenneth Holland of Nebraska City; several nieces and nephews.

The Community Hospital Board of Directors voted Thursday night to exercise its option to purchase 20 acres from Carl Reid as a site for the new hospital. Formal transfer will be completed as soon as papers can be drawn up and signed.

It is now anticipated that the hospital main access road will be north on Main Street past Stjulin Field, then west past the Ray Lytle, Jr., home and into the property. Nance Engineering Co. of Council Bluffs has been employed to start surveying the access road and the ground proper so as to insure a harmonious joining of the road and grounds.

Delbert Boyer, hospital architect, is designing a one-story building with basement that will rest entirely on unfilled dirt when the hill is cut down. The building will contain about 45,500 square feet of floor space. By way of comparison, the present hospital building has about 10,000 square feet divided into three floors.

Mr. Boyer plans to have more detailed plans to present to the board next week, and it is now thought the building design will be into the detail work by the first of the year.

Board member Paul Winkler says everything possible is being done by all concerned to insure earliest possible completion of the new facility.

## More honors for Hamburg football boys

Added honors have been given three members of the 1965 Hamburg Wildcat football team.

Craig Fisher has been named to the Des Moines Register All-State fifth team as tackle, and was given honorable mention in the Iowa Daily Press Assn. all-state selections as a back.

Given honorable mention on the IDPA roster along with Fisher were Mike Moody as a back, and Dick Spiegel at guard.

The same trio were named to the World Herald SW Iowa B-school first string, but Fisher was named a tackle of that one.

Others on the IDPA honorable mention list from the Coal Conference were Dick Mank Sheer of Fremont Mills, quarterback Mike Stanley of Sidney and Gene Dahl of Fremont Mills.

## Social Security Day in Hamburg Dec. 3

A building dedicated to use of the younger generation will be put to use for the older generation Fri., Dec. 3, when the Hamburg Scout Hall will be the scene of a "Social Security Day" information program and films.

The all-day project, sponsored locally by the Hamburg Kiwanis Club, is designed to acquaint older people first hand with the wide variety of changes in Social Security, and the new Medicare program that goes into effect Jan. 1. Representatives from the regional Social Security office will spend the day at Scout Hall explaining the new programs, new benefits, increased benefits, the

voluntary medical program, and other features of the changed social security law.

The hall will be open from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., with a special film on Medicare shown at 10:00 a. m., 1:00 p. m., and 3:00 p. m.

All persons on social security, or who will be on social security within the next few years are invited to attend these free programs and information sessions. Assistance will be given to those who want to file for benefits, including the new medical and hospital care benefits.

Gene Lundgren, field representative for Social Security, will be in charge.

### Shoemakers parents

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Shoemaker of York, Nebr. are parents of a nine pound, nine ounce boy born Nov. 14. He has been named Douglas Scott. The Shoemakers have four other children.

Mrs. Irene Nies spent the past week helping care for the new grandchild.

### Mrs. Jess Morgan services Nov. 18

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Jess Morgan Thursday, Nov. 18, at the Rash Funeral Home with the Rev. John Pettit officiating. Interment was in the Hamburg cemetery.

Born at Riverton, Ia., she spent most of her life in and around Hamburg.

She is survived by her husband; one son, Clifford of Hamburg; one daughter, Mrs. John King of Thurman; three grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Viola Cockerham of Hot Springs, S. Dak.; one brother, Elmer Garrison of Hamburg; nieces and nephews.

### Mrs. Cora Smith rites Tuesday

Funeral rites were held Tuesday at 2 p. m. at the Presbyterian Church in Watson for Mrs. Cora Elizabeth Smith. She died Nov. 20 at the age of 79. The Rev. Norman Lewis officiated and Rash Funeral Home was in charge of services. Interment was in High Creek Cemetery.

Survivors include her two daughters, Mrs. William Hays and Mrs. Billy Adams of Watson, Mrs. Roy Sharp of Plattsmouth, one son, Leland

## Football dinner Monday

Coaches and squad members of the current Hamburg Wildcat football team will be honored at a special dinner this Monday night at the club's prime rib affair, is sponsored by more than 35 local businessmen and football fans.

## Hospital Notes

### MISSIONS:

Hamburg: Alfred Holland, Martha Cradic, Craig Fisher, Charles Gardner, Bill J. Adams, Bonnie J. Clark, Beverly J. Gardner, Pearl Foster, Marvin Mount, Mabel Thompson, Walter Ebert, Lillian M. Tolby.

Pacific Junction: Merta Stattler.

Riverton: Maymie L. Baker, Sidney: Thomas Dryden, Tabor: Albert E. Dalton, Farragut: Mildred Abshire, Watson, Mo.: Viola Lytle, Herber M. Fischer.

Thurman: Violet Moreland, Shenandoah: Rev. Harold L. Swensen.

Glenwood: Joyce E. Porter, Betty E. Finnell.

### DISMISSALS:

Hamburg: Grace Houts, Grace Fletcher, Craig Fisher, Donna Webber, Connie Clark, Janice Payne and daughter, Bill Adams, Mary Hume, Beverly Gardner, Walter Ebert, Pearl Foster.

Malvern: Mabel Boyce, Donna Utterback.

Glenwood: Joyce Porter, Harve Tackett.

Thurman: Violet Moreland, Riverton: Maymie Baker, Pacific Junction: Merta Stattler and daughter.

Sidney: Robert Iverson, Bartlett: Rachael Balkues.

Watson, Mo.: Cora Smith, Hubert Fischer.

Tabor: Sabria Birkby.

### BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Stattler, Pacific Junction — a daughter, Nov. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Finnell, Glenwood — a daughter, Nov. 20.

### DEATHS:

Alfred Holland, Hamburg; Neoma Morgan, Hamburg;

Abner Scott, Tabor.

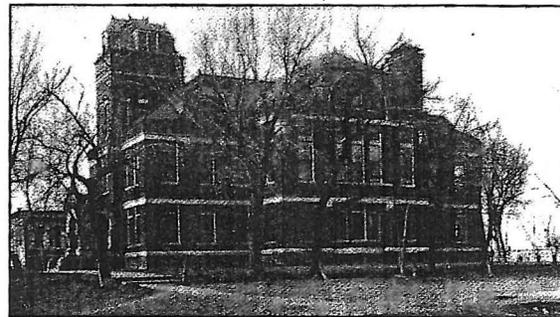
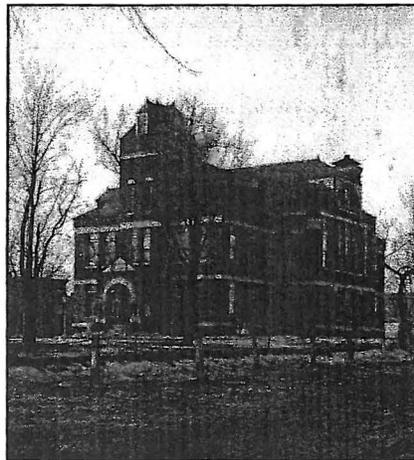
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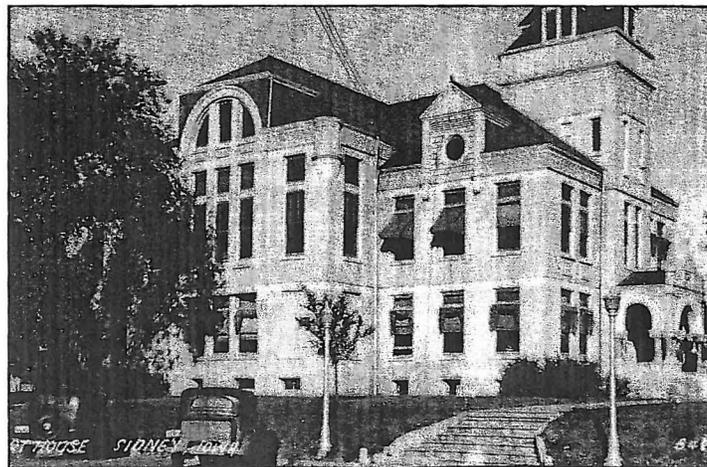
*Imprints in Time Fremont County, Iowa*  
1996

# FREMONT COUNTY IOWA



Top: Lightning struck high tower on this original building. Left: The courthouse before hitching chains were removed and there was no pavement. Above: Early courthouse photo. Below: Courthouse with paved roads. Photos courtesy of: Fremont County Historical Society and Robert and Evelyn Birkby.

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Written by:  
The People of  
Fremont County



Our Family

Beaver Co. PA to Matthew and Elinore McElroy of Ireland, married Holmes County OH 1836 Rachel Richards, born Wayne County, OH 1819, arrived High Creek area, Atchison County, MO 1843-44, sold land 1849, Alexander left for gold rush, did not return, married again and died 1882 Mercer County, CA. Rachel died 1875 Benton Township. Children Matthew Henry, Mary Ellen (Amos) Stiles, James Alexander (married Flora Mann) born Ohio and Sara Jane (Alan B.) McFarland, Katherine Adelia (James) Cassidy born Missouri.

Matthew, born 1837 Holmes County, OH was twelve years old when his father left, 1855 took his mother and siblings to Benton Township, Fremont County and bought a farm. Matthew was a farmer, deputy sheriff, constable, served in the Civil War, married 1869 Mary Helen Coy, born 1848 Madison County IN to Benjamin and Julia Ann Welsh Coy, who arrived in Fremont County 1852. Matthew died 1921, Mary 1931, Percival. Eight children born Benton Township, Eva Elvira, child, died in infancy.

William, a farmer, married Luetta Conyers in CO, lived Bingham, NE, children James, Alva, Chester, and Alice Roy.

Amos, a farmer and machinery dealer, Percival, married Geneva Hoyt, children Mildred Landis, Amos Hoyt. After Geneva's death he married her sister Grace.

Flora married Roscoe Williams, lived in CA, children Alta Thompson and Ada Kelso.

Edward, a farmer, married Myrtle Wadhams, children Paul and Dorothy Sonner.

Clyde, a farmer near Percival and Shenandoah, married Mary Elizabeth Leslie, children John, Raymond, Grace Foster, Clark, Carl (Bill), Perry, Mary Wills, Ralph, Robert, Wendell.

Alice married Clare Binnie, lived in CA, children David, Grace Smith.

James, lived Mexico, MO, married Mattie Bishop, children Wilma Largen and Harold. (See photo on page 268)

Submitted by Sharon Hirz



Tim McCoy - 1971

the only one that was stabbed. The investigator said, "Tim put up a heck of a fight before he died." John Gacy was treated for a stab wound that same day. Gacy's other thirty-two victims were handcuffed or tied up then strangled.

Fourteen years and five months after his death, Tim's remains were positively identified. On May 23, 1986 he was returned to Omaha, Nebraska to his final resting place next to his father in Hillcrest Memorial Cemetery.

Submitted by Linda Flowers (sister of Tim)

**DAVID AND HESTER (JOHNSON) MCDANIEL**

David and Hester (Johnson) McDaniel came to Fremont County from Minnesota in 1886.

Scot"; his wife was a "little German lady".

David and Hester were hard-working farmers in their 40's, and this was the last of many moves, from their birthplace in Ohio, to Indiana, to Minnesota, to Kansas, back again to Minnesota. Times were hard; they lost two little girls in Kansas. Of their 11 children, 8 were living and moved with them, including later their oldest daughter Alice and her husband William Tuey.

The McDaniels bought a farm between Sidney and Thurman and the younger children attended Lacy Grove school. From the farm, each child in turn married and, with few exceptions, began farming close to home with their parents' help. Their names grace many historical records: Josephine and John Tuey, Lewis and Lillie (Hammond) McDaniel, Archibald and Rose (Trewet) McDaniel, Howard and Elizabeth Ellen (Trewet) McDaniel, Wilbert and Myrtle (Porter) McDaniel, Tom and Susie (Olinger) McDaniel, Everett and Maude (Biggins) McDaniel.

In later years, the young families scattered, to Montana, Washington, Missouri, and elsewhere in Iowa. Descendants are more far-flung, but many of us remember parents' and grandparents' stories of Fremont County life in the first decades of this century. David and Hester were my great-grandparents. I remember where their large home stood, and where each member of the family lived. My mother, Mabel McDaniel Watson, was born in 1898 in a house two miles west of Lacy Grove school which stood for 80 years. I particularly remember family reunions in the 1930s at the home of "Bird" and Myrtle McDaniel near Thurman. Cousins from everywhere drove their Model T's through the gumbo to arrive at the feast, enjoy companionship and hear the old master story-tellers.

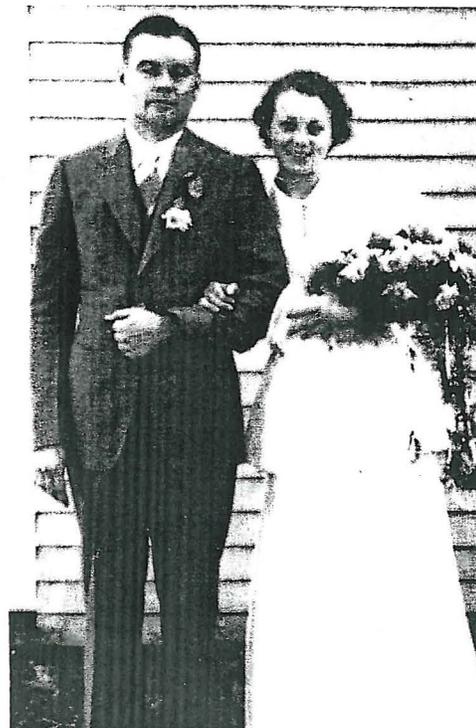
Submitted by Mary Jo Davis

**MCELROY FAMILY**

Alexander McElroy, a farmer, Pawnee Indian

**PAUL AND LILLIAN (ARTHUR) MCELROY**

Paul Edward McElroy, a farmer, born 1907 to Edward and Myrtle Wadhams McElroy, graduated from Percival High School and Iowa State





Matthew and Mary McElroy Family - 1919 Back- Geneva, Flora, James, Will, Clyde, Ed Middle-Myrtle, Mattie, Alice, Elizabeth, Amos Front-Claire, Mary, Luetta, Matthew, Roscoe



Sheryl, Sharon, Rodney, and Diane McElroy - 1958

College, married 1936 Lillian Mae Arthur, born 1917 in Fayette County, IA to Vern and Caroline Meyer Arthur, Lillian graduated from Randalia High School and attended Upper Iowa University. Paul was Fayette County Extension Director until 1942 when he returned to Fremont County to live and farm one half mile south and two miles east of Percival. Paul and Lillian both were Iowa State Representatives and were active with the Percival Community Church, Percival and Sidney Schools, 4-H, Fremont County Fair Association, Republican Party and many other community activities. Paul died in 1965 and Lillian remains on the same farm.

Sheryl, born 1938, graduated from Percival High School, married James Hunter, son of Robert and Hazel Greenwood Hunter of Thurman, had Michael, Gailyn, and Paula, lives in Hamburg with husband Richard Sjuln, son of Leslie and Elphie Anderson Sjuln and works at the Sidney Health Center.

Sharon, born 1940, graduated from Sidney High School and University of Iowa, married Dale Hirz, son of Harry and Hermie Fuelling Hirz of Locust Grove Township, had Katherine, Nancy, David, and Brian, lives in Tacoma, WA where Dale is an orthopedic surgeon.

Diane, born 1942, graduated from Sidney High School and University of Nebraska, married William Obert of Michigan, had Paul and Lori, lives in Grand Island, NE where husband Randall Seeger, son of Edwin and Beulah Fulton

Seeger of Tabor works for Bosselman's Gas Co. Paul Rodney, born 1946, graduated from Sidney High School, married Kathleen Taylor, daughter of Lyle and Georgia Taylor of Sidney, had Molly and Amy. Rod lives on the original farm of grandparents, Edward and Myrtle McElroy, farmed until a few years ago when he and his wife Judy Arthur of Nebraska City started an antique business on their farm and sell at antique shows.

Submitted by Mrs. Paul (Lillian) McElroy

#### ED AND ELIZA (ROGERS) MCGARGILL

Mr. McGargill was born in Perry County, Ohio in 1828 and moved to Venango County, Penn. in 1845. After remaining there for 11 years, he came to Iowa, settling in Jones County. After 9 years he moved to Dubuque, remaining there 9 years. From Dubuque he came to Fremont County and bought land; Section 14. He lived there until his death in 1908.

He was united in marriage to Eliza Rogers, a native of Ireland. By this union they had 6 children: William, Martha, Amy, Ida, Louis, and Anna.

Mr. and Mrs. McGargill were members of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Imogene. In 1894 Ed McGargill established the Citizens State Bank in Imogene and also ran the Grain Elevator in Imogene. He also farmed 400 acres of land.

He passed away in 1908 and his wife in 1923. Submitted by Ed McGargill

#### EDWARD JOSEPH AND GERTRUDE (TRAGESSER) MCGARGILL

Edward Joseph, son of Louis and Fannie (Sanger) McGargill, was born January 29, 1903, in Monroe Township, Fremont County. He attended country grade school and went to St. Mary's, Kansas, to high school. He graduated from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska in 1922. He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Imogene, Iowa.

After college he worked for 6 months in the steel mills in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. Then he went to Pocatello, Idaho to work for Union Pacific in their store for 4 years. He came back to



Edward McGargill Family - First Row - Matthew, Jake, Edward, Samuel, Gertrude, Mary Agnes, George, Paul. Back Row - Mark, John, Marilyn and Luke.

Imogene and was County Assessor for 2 years.

In 1933, he, along with Harold Teachout and Mick Miller, started the Farm Program for Fremont County. He worked in Sidney until 1936.

On Sept. 24, 1934, he married Gertrude Tragesser, daughter of Frank and Mamie Tragesser. Gertrude was born in 1911 in Tipton, Indiana. She came to Iowa in 1914 and attended country schools and high school in Knoxville, Iowa, and nursing training in Des Moines, Iowa.

To their union 11 children were born: Peter (1935-1937), Marilyn, Mark, Luke, John (1943-1982), Matthew (1945-1990), Paul, Jake, George, Mary Agnes (1952-1968), and Sam.

Ed bought the present farm in 1936 and continued to farm until his death in 1971. His wife, Gertrude, is still living on the farm and stays active in many things; St. Patrick's Altar Society, Cancer Board, Fremont County Reach to Recovery, Fremont County Historical Board, and has helped the Red Cross Bloodmobile for many years. She volunteers at the Shenandoah Hospital Gift Shop and keeps in contact with her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Submitted by Mrs. Ed McGargill

#### GEORGE AND LAURA (INSERRA) MCGARGILL

George McGargill, son of Ed and Gertrude (Tragesser) McGargill, was born on March 6, 1950, at the Montgomery County Hospital in Red Oak, Iowa, and was raised on the family farm in Imogene, Iowa. He attended St. Patrick's Catholic Church and grade school. He also attended Campion High School, a Jesuit boarding school, in Paire Du Chien, Wisconsin, for 2 years. He graduated from Shenandoah High School in 1968. He attended Iowa Western Community College in Clarinda for 1 1/2 years and the University of Wyoming for 1/2 year. In his early 20's, George traveled the western and southern parts of the United States and worked for a few area farmers around Imogene. He started farming full time in 1974 and bought his first farm in 1978. He eventually returned for 3 years of night school at Buena Vista College and graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting.

On August 17, 1979, he was united in marriage to Laura Inserra, daughter of Anthony and Elizabeth Inserra of Omaha, Nebraska. Laura was born on December 27, 1954. She attended Holy Cross Catholic Church and grade school, Archbishop Ryan High School and graduated from the University of Nebraska Medical Center with a Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology. She was a staff tech and clinical instructor in the laboratory at Methodist Hospital in Omaha when she met George.

To this union, 5 children were born: Abe, Ben, Clay, Dane, and Audrey. The children attend Farragut Community School.

George and Laura and their family continue to farm in Fremont County and also raise Registered Angus cattle. They are also active in business, school, church, and community organizations.

Submitted by Mrs. Ed McGargill



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PERSONAL INFORMATION

**Paul Edward McElroy**

**Born:** 11 Nov 1907  
Percival, Fremont, Iowa, USA

**Died:** 20 Nov 1965  
Nebraska City, Otoe, Nebraska, USA

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**Born:**

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**Marriage:** 28 Jun 1936 in Fayette, Iowa, USA

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