

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____

Senator Baren

John Leonard - Represented Hancock, Winneshong and North Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 10 June 1913 Leland, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Thora M. Berg 5 Oct 1933/1935 Larvest City, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Eths Club, Lions Club, American Legion

C. Profession Druggist for 18 years at Leland; auto and machinery business at Lake Park for 3 years; farm owner; hog and cattle

4. Church membership Catholic

5. Sessions served 61st, 62nd General Assemblies 1965, 1967

6. Public Offices

A. Local School board; city councilman; county conservation board
volunteer fire department

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 4 May 1991 Larvest City, Iowa; buried St. James Cemetery

8. Children Kathleen Ann; John Paul

9. Names of parents William Pascal and Mary Elizabeth (McGregory) Baren

10. Education Educated in schools of Leeward, Iowa
graduating in 1930.

11. Degrees He attended Columbia College (now Iowa College) 2 years
Dubuque, Iowa

12. Other applicable information See notes at

- He was thrust into the business world in 1933 while he was in
college and his father's illness, so he took over the family
grocery business in Leeward, Iowa
- He operated the business 4 years and then bought the business
and operated it until 1946
- In 1947 he purchased a service station
- In 1950 he sold the service station to his partner and became a
salesman for an employment company in Forest City, Iowa
- 1956 - he purchased the Ford dealership in Forest City, selling it
in 1961 and went back to selling employment until retirement
in 1980.
- Military service - World War II - U. S. Navy



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Almellen, a student at a college in Wadena, Minn., Saturday visitor with his mother, Gladys Almellen of Brad, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Almellen of Buffalo Center, will graduate from college May 16.

Almellen of Joice flew to San Francisco April 19 to visit with Linda and Worrell for five days. The men were guests of their parents during her absence. Orland Reinsmoen of Joice and Almellen of Fertile.

Friday afternoon coffee guests Margaret Berry were Muriel and Berry of Emmons. Thursday afternoon Margaret attended a program at the Forest City Elementary School, where her son, Justin, a third grader, was present. She was also a supper guest. Judy and Ron Berry home evening.

Miah O'Rourke and Inez Tweed of the Ossian-West Union area and a confirmation service at Holy Lutheran Church. Two sons, Ryan and Neil Tweed, of Wanda and Peter Tweed of Joice, were in the class. Also present were Sam and Ken Heimdahl, Ben and George of Lakeville, Minn. All were at a family dinner at the home. Other family members included maternal grandparents, and George Solheim of Castalia, and Don Solheim and children. Monday, Linda and Dave Solheim of the family of Castalia, Kim and Mike of Joice, Micah and Ashley, Linda and Dunt, Susan and Benjamin of Joice, Debbie and Todd Boy of

Retired businessman died Saturday

Former State Senator and an area businessman, John L. Buren, died Saturday at his home in Forest City following an illness of several months. He was 77 years old.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 this Wednesday morning at St. James Catholic Church with Father John R. Kremer officiating. Burial will be in St. James cemetery.

"Chub," as he was known to all, was elected a state senator in November, 1964, and served a four-year term representing Winnebago and Hancock counties. He also was Democrat county chairman for six years.

"Chub" was thrust into the business world early in 1933 while a student at Columbia College in Dubuque when his father suffered a stroke and "Chub" had to come home to take over the family grocery business in Leland. After managing the business for four years, "Chub" bought the business and continued to operate it until 1946. In 1947 he purchased the Irving Ambrosion service station.

In 1950 he sold his business in Leland and purchased a half interest in the Helgeson Motor Co. at Lake Mills which at that time sold Kaiser and Fraiser automobiles along with International, Massey Harris and Oliver lines of farm machinery.

Three years later he sold his interest in the business to his partner, Truman Helgeson, and accepted employment at a salesman for the Eymann Implement Co. in Forest City. In 1956 Chub purchased the Ford dealership in Forest City, selling it in 1961 at which time he returned to Eymann's where he continued until his retirement in 1980.

In addition to his service as a state senator, "Chub" served in a variety of public capacities including six years on the Leland school board, six years on the Leland city council and five years on the Winnebago County Conservation board.

Because of his legislative experience, "Chub" helped to organize the "Iowans For Tax Relief" organization and was on the state board of directors for the group.

An avid outdoorsman, "Chub" was active in Ducks Unlimited and Pheasants Forever organizations.



JOHN L. BUREN

As a young man he played semi-pro baseball with the "Lake Mills Cannery" and "Forest City Collegians" teams.

Mr. Buren was born June 10, 1913, at the home of his parents, W. P. and Mary Elizabeth (McGreevey) Buren in Leland. He attended the Leland school and was graduated from Leland high school in 1930.

He married Thora M. Berg of Scarville Oct. 5, 1933, at St. James church. They were parents of a daughter, Kathleen Ann, and a son, John Paul.

Survivors include his wife, Thora; a daughter, Kathleen Ann Bries of Denver, Colo.; a son, John Paul Buren of Mason City; five grandchildren, a brother, W. P. "Hap" Buren of Leland, and a sister, Margaret Buren of Leland.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Ben, and two sisters, Leona Carlson and Helen Langerud.

Honorary pallbearers for Wednesday morning's service will be Donovan Haxton of Mason City, Delbert Floy of Thornton, Don Gahan, Robert Keel and Richard Clark, all of Forest City.

Casket bearers will be Col. Arnie Murra, Kjell Bjornsen, Dr. George A. Wilson, Dr. H. R. Wilson and David Anderson, all of Forest City, and L. Donald Eymann of Ventura.

A prayer service was held Tuesday evening at the Mittelstadt Funeral home in Lake Mills.

Hold services for Claude Smith

Funeral services for Claude Smith of Albert Lea, Minn., were Monday at Bonnerup Funeral Service in Albert Lea. The Rev. Jim pandrea officiated. Burial was Madison Township Cemetery Forest City.

Smith, 91, died May 3, 1991, his home.

He was born Feb. 9, 1900, at Ed to Ed and Alice Riggins Smith was married to Ruth Bakken, 8, 1925, at Forest City. Smith far near Forest City until 1946. He moved to Albert Lea where he worked for 18 years at Wilson Foods in his retirement in 1966.

Survivors include a daughter son-in-law, Shirley and George, and kids of Albert Lea and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by parents, his wife, Ruth, a daughter, Royce, step-son, Ralph Bakken, seven brothers and a sister.

Lake Mills consultant wins Mary Kay car

Mary Kay Independent business consultant, Jean Flugum of Lake Mills, has qualified as a team leader and earned the free use of a red Pontiac Grand AM.

To qualify as a team manager Flugum had to meet specific and recruiting requirements. In this position, Flugum will provide leadership to personal recruits and work with the unit's sales director in meeting sales and recruiting.



Music groups earn I's

Both the Forest City High School and appearance. Both groups received Division I ratings for superior and Linda Ferjak, vocal director, expressed satisfaction with the