

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Nielson, Niels J. Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented Emmet County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 29 Jul 1896 Clinton, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Edna Agard 14 Mar 1923 Iowa Ldr, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He served as vice-president of the Ringsted, Iowa Telephone Company

B. Civic responsibilities Keweenaw, American Legion; York  
Hollow League; Farm Bureau

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Lutheran

5. Sessions served 51<sup>th</sup>, 58<sup>th</sup>, 59<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 61<sup>st</sup> General Assemblies 1957, 1959,  
1960, 1961, 1963

6. Public Offices

A. Local Member of the School Board

B. State Vice-president of the Broad Lutheran Welfare Council

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

7. Death 17 Oct 1967 Estherville, Iowa; buried St. John Lutheran Church Cemetery, Ringsted,  
Iowa

8. Children Kenneth; Norman J.; Ronald (predeceased his  
father in death)

9. Names of parents Niels J. and Kristine (Sorenson) Nielson

Nielson, Niels J.

10. Education He was educated in the Clinton Iowa schools and  
Emmet County schools

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

12. Other applicable information Democrat

He moved with his family to the Seneca farm area in  
Kossuth County in 1908 and later they lived in  
Isham for several years.

Military service - World War I



# THE RINGSTED

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RINGSTED, EMMET COUNTY, IOWA.

## Funeral rites Friday for Niels J. Nielsen

Funeral services will be conducted for former State Representative Niels J. Nielsen, 71, Friday from St. John's Lutheran church, with the Rev. Gordon Miller in charge. Burial will be in the Church cemetery.

Mr. Nielsen died Tuesday morning, October 17, at Holy Family hospital, Estherville. He had suffered a stroke while visiting at Peoria, Ill., Sept. 30. He was hospitalized at a hospital there until Oct. 8 when he was flown back to Estherville.

Nielsens lived on a farm near Halfa for seven years, then moved south of Ringsted where they farmed for 35 years. They retired and moved into Ringsted to make their home two years ago.

Mr. Nielsen was a veteran of World War I and served five terms as State Representative from this district, from 1956 to 1966. He sponsored many pieces of legislation during his terms in the Iowa General assembly and was especially interested in Iowa health institutions and in educational matters.

He was an active member of St. John's church, the Danish Brotherhood, the Ringsted Kiwanis club and the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Edna, two sons, Kenneth of St. Paul, Minn., and Norman J. of Ringsted; a brother, Soren, of Armstrong who is now a patient at Holy Family hospital, Estherville, and a sister, Mrs. Carrie Meyer, San Rafael, Calif., and two grandsons.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Ronald, and one sister.

### RINGSTED STORES TO CLOSE FOR FUNERAL

Ringsted stores and business places will be closed from 1 to 3 p. m. Friday for the funeral services for Niels J. Nielsen, according to Gordon Howe, president of the Ringsted Businessmen's club.



### SCHOOL SAFETY PATROL

Always on duty, in fair way all good public servants, of the Ringsted elementary school safety patrol force. They operate as a patrol force, assisting other students in the school.

### — Coming School Events —

- Oct. 19-20 — ISEA Convention. No school.
- Oct. 26 — Individual school pictures to be taken.
- Oct. 27—End of first nine weeks.

### HOT LUNCH MENUS

- Mon., Oct. 23 — Creamed dried beef on mashed potatoes, peanut butter and plain sandwich, chocolate cake, fresh fruit, cheese slices, jam, milk.
- Tues., Oct. 24 —

### NIELS J. NIELSEN

Nielsen was born July 1888 at Clinton, Iowa to [unclear] and Mrs. Niels J. Nielsen. He moved with his family to the Seneca area in Kossuth county in 1908 and later they moved to Wisconsin for several years.

He was married to Edna [unclear] on March 14, 1923 at home at Iowa Lake. The

### Shoplifting

Emmet County Sheriff Bar- Reynolds has announced on Tuesday, Oct. 24 a film

### Blossom Club

The monthly meeting of the high school Blossom club was held Monday, Oct. 23 at the

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Mr. Miller taught for nine years in the public schools at Independence and Dubuque, Iowa as well as Minneapolis, Minnesota. Following his teaching career he returned to Black Hawk County where he farmed for thirty-three years. In 1960, he was appointed as technical director for the Eighteenth Decennial Census. For a number of years, he served as a director of the Cedar Falls Trust and Savings Bank and the Cedar Falls National Company. He also served as director and chairman of the National Dairy Cattle Congress, director and chairman of the Black Hawk County Mental Health Center, director of U.N.I. Alumni Association, director of U.N.I. Foundation Founders, director of Westminster Foundation and chairman of Black Hawk County Republican Party. Over the years he was also active in Boy Scouts, P.T.A., Community Planning Council, Conservation Committee, and Lions Club. In 1956, he received the Phi Delta Kappa Service Key Award and in the same year, the U.N.I. Alumni Service Award.

Mr. Miller, a Republican, served in the Iowa House of Representatives during the Fifty-third, Fifty-fourth, Fifty-fifth, and Fifty-sixth sessions of the General Assemblies. He will long be remembered for his outstanding work and accomplishments as chairman of schools committee during the Fifty-fourth, Fifty-fifth, and Fifty-sixth General Assemblies.

Mr. Miller passed away on April 5, 1968. He is survived by his wife Vera Mae of Cedar Falls, a daughter, Mrs. Marianne Leschensky of Waukon, a son John, of Cedar Falls, and six grandchildren. He is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Alvina Miller of Cedar Falls and Mrs. William McGrath of Arvada, Colorado.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-third General Assembly of Iowa.* That in the passing of the Honorable Earl A. Miller, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this resolution would express its appreciation of his service, and tender its sympathy to the members of his family

*Be It Further Resolved:* That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

WILLARD R. HANSEN  
DONALD E. VOORHEES  
DONALD L. LIPPOLD

Committee

**NIELS J. NIELSEN**

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Niels J. Nielsen, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Mr. Nielsen was born July 29, 1887, in Clinton, Iowa. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Niels J. Nielsen. He attended Clinton and Emmet County schools.

He married Edna Aagaard March 14, 1923. To this union were born three sons.

Mr. Nielsen's career was a farmer. He served on the school board and

the Iowa Lutheran Welfare Council. He also served as vice president of the Ringsted Telephone Company and was a past commander and chaplain of the American Legion. He took an active part as a member of Izaak Walton League, Kiwanis, and the Farm Bureau.

Mr. Nielsen, a Democrat, served in the Iowa House of Representatives in the Fifty-seventh, Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth, Sixtieth Extra and Sixty-first sessions of the General Assembly as the Representative of Emmet and Palo Alto Counties. He passed away October 17, 1967.

Surviving Mr. Nielsen are his widow, living in Ringsted; two sons, Kenneth of St. Paul, Minnesota, and Norman of Ringsted; one sister, Mrs. Carrie Meyer, of San Rafael, California; and two grandsons.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-third General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable Niels J. Nielsen, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this resolution would express its appreciation of his services, and tender its sympathy to the members of his family.

*Be It Further Resolved:* That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

LEO I. SANDERS  
ALFRED NIELSEN  
VERNON BENNETT  
Committee

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EDWARD OPPEDAHL

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Edward Oppedahl, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Edward Oppedahl was born in rural Goldfield, Iowa, on May 12, 1890. He was one of eight children born to Sven and Anna Oppedahl.

He attended country school and graduated from Waldorf Academy of Forest City with the class of 1909 and attended Iowa State College. He taught country school in 1910, 1913, and 1914.

He married Isadore Gangstead on June 10, 1914, who preceded him in death. The couple farmed near Renwick until 1966. To this union were born one daughter and four sons.

On May 28, 1966, he was married to Georgia Paine. They lived in Renwick, but traveled extensively.

Mr. Oppedahl was president of the Renwick Savings Bank. He was Farm Bureau County president for ten years. He was the last charter member to have a continuous membership of Lake Lutheran Church.

Mr. Oppedahl served as State Representative in the Fifty-fourth, Fifty-fifth, and Fifty-sixth sessions of the General Assembly.

# Individual Record

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 **Niels NIELSEN**

**Birth Date:** 29 Jul 1896  
**Death Date:** Oct 1967  
**Social Security Number:** 483-44-3812  
**State or Territory Where Number Was Issued:** Iowa

**Death Residence Localities**

**ZIP Code:** 50576  
**Localities:** Rembrandt, Buena Vista, Iowa

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