

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Smith, Marvin Healy Senator Smith, Marvin Healy - Represented O'Brien, Osceola, Dickinson, Clay and Lyon Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 25 Feb 1901 near Potosi, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mabel Brown 6 June 1925 Paullina, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Managed the Sioux City Interstate Showtown Sales; managed the Sioux Empire Showtown Sales at Sioux Falls, South Dakota

B. Civic responsibilities Lions Club; O'Brien County Farm Bureau; H-H

C. Profession Farmer, teacher; pursued livestock production

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 57<sup>th</sup>, 58<sup>th</sup>, 59<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 61<sup>st</sup>, 62<sup>nd</sup> General Assemblies 1957, 1959, 1961,

6. Public Offices 1963, 1967 - House of Representatives; 63<sup>rd</sup>, 64<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1969-1970, 1971-1972 - Senate

A. Local Served on the O'Brien County school board

B. State While in the Legislature he was twice selected Speaker Pro-Tem in the House of Representatives and once served as President of the Legislature Council

C. National

7. Death 13 Oct 1982 Paullina, Iowa; Buried Prairie View Cemetery, Paullina, Iowa

8. Children Nelen (Mrs. Lynford Pauling); Frances (Mrs. Don Burgess); Margaret Ann (Mrs. E. Brian Mc Gregor)

9. Names of parents George H. and Effie (Teoutman) Smith

10. Education Educated in the Paulina, Iowa  
public schools graduating in 1918

11. Degrees Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa - degree in  
Animal Husbandry 1923

12. Other applicable information Republican

- At age one year the family moved to Paulina, Iowa  
where he lived on the family farm until 1958
- They farmed for 39 years and raised purchased hogs  
and cattle.
- His father George H. Smith, served in the Iowa House of Representatives  
in the 41<sup>st</sup>, 42<sup>nd</sup>, 43<sup>rd</sup> General Assemblies 1925, 1927, 1929
- He taught veterans training for 3 1/2 years



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## Services For Marvin Smith

Services were held at 11:00 a.m.  
 Saturday, October 16 at the First  
 Presbyterian Church, at Paullina,  
 Iowa, with the Rev. Carl Soderberg  
 officiating.

The Honorary Pallbearers were  
 Donald Robinson, Walter Kruse, J.  
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 ningham, Floyd Edgington, Sr.,  
 Robert Naden, and Paul Den Herder.

Pallbearers were: Merrill Smith,  
 Harvey Buckendahl, Harlan Crouse,  
 Clarence Smith, Jr., Wilmer Lamont,  
 and Ralph Johnson.

"How Great Thou Art" sung by  
 Otis Grosvenor and "Love Divine"  
 sung by the congregation.

Organist was Mrs. Kay Grosvenor.  
 Final resting place: Prairie View  
 Cemetery, Paullina, Iowa.

### OBITUARY

Marvin Wesley Smith was born  
 near Ireton, Ia., Feb. 25, 1901, the  
 son of George W. Smith and Effie  
 Troutman Smith.

When he was one year old the  
 family moved to a farm northwest of  
 Paullina which was to be his home  
 until 1958.

Marvin was a graduate of Paullina  
 High School and in 1923 he earned a  
 degree from I.S.U. in Animal  
 Husbandry. While at Iowa State he  
 was a member of a National  
 Championship Wrestling team and a  
 member of Delta Chi Fraternity.

He married Mabel Brown June 6,  
 1925. They farmed for 38 years  
 during which time he raised purebred  
 hogs and cattle. Marvin managed the  
 Sioux City Interstate Shorthorn Sale  
 and the Sioux Empire Shorthorn Sale  
 at Sioux Falls.

Marvin served on the O'Brien Co.  
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 and the Northwest Iowa Experimental  
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 School Board, the Farm Bureau board  
 and the Northwest Iowa Experimental  
 Farm Board. He taught a Veterans on  
 the Farm Training class for three  
 years. He was an honorary member of  
 the County and State 4-H Organiza-  
 tion, and had recently served on the  
 State 4-H Council.

He served 16 years in the Iowa  
 Legislature, retiring in 1972. While in  
 the House of Representatives he was  
 Speaker Pro-tem two terms and was a  
 member of the Interim Budget and  
 Financial Control Committee and was  
 chairman of the Legislative Council.  
 His last 4 years in the legislature  
 were spent in the Senate.

Marvin had been a member of the  
 Lions Club and served as an Elder in  
 the Presbyterian Church. He was  
 chairman of the Finance Committee  
 and a member of the building  
 committee for the construction of the  
 present church structure.

The Smith's traveled extensively in  
 recent years, including travels in  
 many foreign countries.

Besides his widow, he is survived  
 by Helen (Mrs. Lynford Pauling),  
 Paullina; Frances (Mrs. Don Bur-  
 gess), Dennison; and Margaret Ann,  
 (Mrs. E. Brian McGregor), Lake-  
 wood, Co. There are 8 grandchildred  
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 survived by one brother, Clarence E.  
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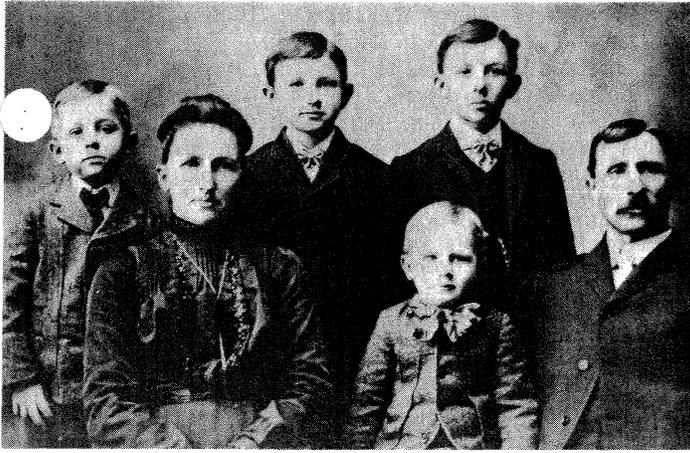


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Left to right: Jesse, Effie, Orlo, Marvin, Clarence, and George Smith, 1904.

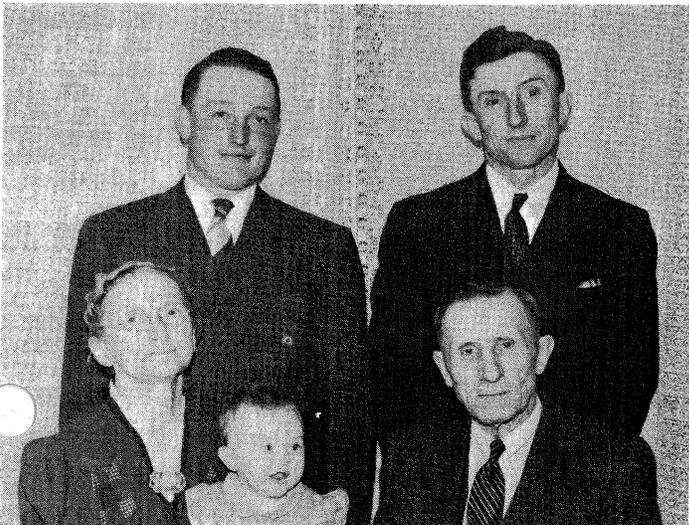
young family alone. Philip Smith was buried at a rural cemetery near Ashland, Ohio. George's mother moved her family to Benton County, Iowa, when George was sixteen, and he helped operate the family farm for four years while attending Tilford Academy at Vinton, Iowa, during the winter months. It was at this academy that he met Effie Troutman of Blainstown, whom he married on January 30, 1890.

Effie Troutman, the daughter of Daniel and Nancy Thompson Troutman, was born February 20, 1869, at Blainstown, Iowa. Effie's family was of Scotch and Dutch descent. Effie had two brothers and one sister: Royal, Harvey, and Relda. She, too, attended Tilford Academy.

In 1890, this couple settled on a farm near Ireton, that George had purchased the previous year, and it was here that all four were born. Clarence (1892), lives at Estherville, Orlo (1895-1961), Jesse (1899-1918), who died of influenza in the service during World War I, and Marvin (1901-1982).

After living on this farm near Ireton for twelve years, George sold this land and purchased a half section: Section 30, Dale Township, in 1902. This farm was owned by the Smith family for 62 years, Marvin having purchased it from his father in 1943.

In 1903, just one year after having moved to this farm, George decided to move the buildings a half mile south to a better site and closer to Paullina. On one hot August day, the movers had the house on the road and Effie had 26 men to cook for, including movers, threshers, tilers, and carpenters. When she was asked later if that situation didn't worry her, Effie's answer was, "No, only that the bread was rising on the kitchen table, and it



Four generations of Smiths 1942. Left to right: back row, Clarence Smith, Jr. and Clarence Smith, Sr. Front row: Effie, Joyce Ann and George Smith.

might fall before the house was located and she could start the kitchen stove."

On retiring from farming, the Smiths moved to Paullina, where George spent many of his remaining years in public service positions, including mayor of Paullina, school board, and then six years in the Iowa House of Representatives. He served as Methodist Sunday School Superintendent many years, and also was on church boards. Effie taught Sunday School and served on the Paullina Library Board for many years.

The Smiths bequeathed their home in Paullina to Morningside College to be used toward a scholarship fund in commemoration of their son, Jesse, who was stationed at the college in the R.O.T.C. program at the time of his death in 1918. Presently this home is owned and occupied by the Darrel Shirk family.

Effie's father, Daniel Troutman, was one of the original donors to the fund for the construction of the first buildings on the campus of Western Union College, now known as Westmar at LeMars, Iowa. His gift of \$25,000, certainly was generous by the economic standards of that day.

Effie died in November, 1958, and George died in February, 1959, after 68 years of marriage. They spent their last years at Friendship Haven in Fort Dodge, Iowa.

## MARVIN AND MABEL SMITH



Left to right: Margaret Ann McGregor, Frances Burgess, Mabel and Marvin Smith, Helen Pauling. June 6, 1975.

Marvin W. Smith was born near Ireton, Iowa, in 1901, the son of George and Effie Troutman Smith. The family moved to a farm northwest of Paullina in 1902. This farm, located in Section 30 in Dale Township, was in Smith ownership for 62 years, since Marvin purchased it from his father in 1942.

Marvin graduated from Paullina High School in 1918, and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Husbandry from Iowa State University in 1923. He was a member of Delta Chi fraternity. During his junior and senior years, Marvin was a member of the undefeated wrestling team, that was National Champion.

Mabel M. Smith was born near Ireton in 1902, to Robert and Elizabeth Stewart Brown. The Brown family moved to a farm on the south edge of Paullina in 1912.

Mabel graduated from Paullina High School in 1919, and received a Bachelor of Arts from Grinnell College in 1923. While in college, she was on the self-governing board and active in journalism. She taught school at Vinton and Armstrong the two years before her marriage.

Marvin and Mabel were married June 6, 1925, at her parents' home. Their children are: Helen married to Lynford Pauling, Frances married to Don Burgess, living at Denison, and Margaret Ann married to E. Brian McGregor, living at Lakewood, Colorado. There are eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The Smiths farmed for 39 years. Marvin managed the Interstate Shorthorn Association show and sale in Sioux City for ten years, he also managed the Sioux Empire Sale in Sioux Falls. He served on the O'Brien County School Board, County Farm Bureau Board, was the County Boy's 4-H Chairman, was a director on the Northwest Iowa Experimental Farm board, was on the Iowa 4-H Foundation Board, was an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and was made an honorary member of the Iowa State 4-H in 1965. He served on the building committee and was chairman of the finance committee for the construction of the First Presbyterian Church in Paullina, and on the finance committee for the Buena Vista College Chapel.

Marvin served 16 years in the Iowa Legislature, 12 years in the House of Representatives, where he was twice elected Speaker-Pro-Tem and one term as President of the Legislative Council. He later served four years in the Senate, where he was given his chair on retirement, for meritorious service as a legislator.

Mabel has been President for the United Presbyterian Women, Chapter FX, P.E.O. Sisterhood, Federated Woman's Club, was O'Brien County 4-H Girl's Chairman, served on the Paullina Public Library Board, was a legislative committee secretary, and served as the church organist for many years.

After retirement, the Smiths toured the United States and visited 47 foreign countries.

Marvin died October 13, 1982. On March 29, 1983, the family attended a Memorial Service at the Capitol honoring Marvin and 29 other legislators, as guests of the Seventieth General Assembly.

## HERMAN DALE AND JANICE LOUISE SPAAN



*Herman Dale and Janice Louise Spaan*

Herman Dale Spaan was born February 5, 1924, on a farm two miles north of Alton, Iowa. At the age of one year he moved to Paullina with his parents, Henry Edward and Grace Mouw Spaan, and one sister Marjorie Edna. Dale attended school in Paullina, graduating in 1941. During his school years Dale was active in drama, football, basketball, baseball, band, and glee club. He also served as president of his freshman class and was one of the first boys from Paullina to attend Boys State. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, DeMolay, John Lange's baseball team, and an Eagle Scout.

In the fall of 1941, he enrolled at the University of Iowa where he attended classes until August 27, 1943, when he enlisted in the United States Army, serving his country until his discharge February 10, 1946. During this time he spent fourteen months in the hospital in England as a dental technician and also as a German interpreter for the Prisoners of War. After being discharged from the service in 1946, Dale resumed his studies at the University—graduating in January, 1948.

On August 3, 1947, Dale married Janice Louise Swab at the Trinity Methodist Church in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Janice was the daughter of Oliver J. and Lela Tregilgus Swab. Lela died in 1933, and Oliver married Frances Helen Dostal in 1936.

Janice was born August 22, 1927, in Cedar Rapids. She spent most of her childhood there, the family moved several times, but always returned to her home town of Cedar Rapids. In 1941, Janice moved with her family to Oregon where she attended Gresham High School, graduating in 1945. After graduation the family again returned to Cedar Rapids and she enrolled at the University of Iowa.

After Dale graduated from the University, he and his wife moved to Paullina where he entered into a business with his parents. The H. E. Spaan and Son Turkey Farm partnership was formed. This partnership lasted until the death of H. E. Spaan in 1957. Dale purchased his parents' share of the business and it was then known as Spaan Turkey Farm. Dale continued to farm, raising hogs and cattle, but was best known for the raising of turkeys. His son, Dike, worked with him for about six years, but didn't care for farming and returned to his trade—welding. Dale was forced into early retirement when he suffered a stroke in 1982.

Dale and Jan were both civic minded and took an active part in many organizations. Dale held offices in the First Presbyterian Church, Lions Club, Masonic Lodge, and Eastern Star. He served as Master of Lodge and Worthy Patron of Eastern Star. He also served as president of the golf course several times, was scout master and manager of Jr. Legion baseball. Janice held offices in Federated Womans Club; Parent Teachers Association; First Presbyterian Church; Eastern Star, including Worthy Matron; Mother Advisor of Rainbow Girls; President of Ladies Golf; den mother and the first woman to hold the office of President of the Paullina Chamber of Commerce.

The Spaan's had two children. Pamela Jo, born April 10, 1949, and Dike Edward born October 4, 1951.

Pamela married Glenn Fuller, son of Walter and Irene Turner Fuller of Cherokee on August 22, 1970. They had six children. Michael Edward born October 27, 1972, Nicole Susan, October 15, 1974, Jennifer Ann, January 6, 1976, Sara Jo, May 26, 1977, Todd Michael, August 8, 1980, and Keri Jan, May 16, 1982. Keri died at the age of six weeks.

On August 3, 1974, Dike married Peggy Sue Busch, daughter of Allen and Maxine Struve Busch. They have one son, Joel Michael, born August 6, 1980, and one daughter, Kelly Sue, June 9, 1984.

Dale passed away September 26, 1984.

## H. E. AND GRACE SPAAN



*Henry Spaan*



*Grace Mouw Spaan*

Henry Edward Spaan, son of Herman and Twetje Jongeward Spaan was born October 25, 1894, in Orange City, Iowa. On August 3, 1917, he was married to Grace Mouw. She was born in Orange City on October 13, 1895, daughter of Lambert and Mary Schmidt Mouw, who were both born in Holland and came to the United States as children and settled in Orange City with their families. In 1917, Henry joined the United States Navy and served both in the States and overseas. After being discharged from the Navy, Henry and Grace farmed north of Alton, Iowa. Two chil-

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 **Marvin SMITH**

**Birth Date:** 25 Feb 1901  
**Death Date:** Oct 1982  
**Social Security Number:** 480-18-6362  
**State or Territory Where Number Was Issued:** Iowa

**Death Residence Localities**

**ZIP Code:** 51046  
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