

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Seelye Griffiths **Senator** Lodwick,

1. Birthday and place 19 Oct 1920 Evanson, Missouri

2. Marriage (s) date place

Helene "Pat" Barber 28 Jul 1945 Webster Groves, Missouri

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was a member of Iowa Chapter American Society of Farm Managers and  
Rural Appraisers, Lee County Farm Bureau, U.S. Marine Corps League

B. Civic responsibilities Rotary; Mason; Post Modern, Iowa Economic  
Development Commission

C. Profession Farmer; farm manager; agricultural consultant

4. Church membership

Presbyterian

5. Sessions served

6. Public Offices

A. Local

B. State

C. National He served at the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. 1972 -  
1976; in 1980 Farm Fore Division of the Peace - Bank Presidential Campaign

7. Death 16 July 2006 Haven, Iowa; Peace

8. Children Barbara (Mrs. Edwin Rossow); Margaret (Mrs. Jerry Tuttle);  
Helene (Mrs. Gary Barber)

9. Names of parents William I. and Norma (Seelye) Lodwick

10. Education He graduated from New Trier High School in Winnetka, Illinois in 1938

11. Degrees He graduated from Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa in Aug 1942 with a B.S. in Agricultural Economics; he completed two Agronomy Seminars at Harvard University School of Business Administration

12. Other applicable information Republican

- Military service - World War II - U. S. Marine 1942-1945; he served as a 2nd Lieutenant in 3 years of active duty, including 2 years with the 15th Marine Division as field artillery firing battery officer
- He farmed and managed Sedan Farms near Centerville, Iowa 1946-1950. From 1950-1969 he farmed and managed Green Bay Farms at Keosauqua, Iowa 1962 and again 1969.
- He worked for many years as an agricultural consultant at Keosauqua, Iowa 1976-1979



# s hundreds loon festival

Ken Quinn and his daughter Cassidy worked hard holding onto the rope of the balloon before climbing aboard to ride the wind with the rest of their crew. It was a triumphant moment as the balloon smoothly rose to meet the others in the sparkling sunshine. Flushed from her efforts, Cassidy more than earned her reward. She smiled broadly as she left the ground.

Ed and Darla Meierotto of West Point said the show was "just great." It was their third year coming out to the festival. Ed flies remote control airplanes as a hobby, so this was interesting to him. They were looking forward to coming back later in the evening to see the balloons glow.

Most of the crowd made their way to the concession stands in anticipation of live entertainment by SIGMA and The Jefferson County Green Band.

Southeastern Iowa's largest hot air balloon party is hosted at the Fort Madison Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. The event is well-planned long in advance, and is entirely dependent on weather conditions. A least 28 businesses and five media organizations sponsored this event, which was costly, with balloons starting at \$20,000, not counting fuel, insurance, decorations, transportation and other costs. In addition to the sponsors, 18 businesses and individuals made generous donations to the festival, including Iowa's National Guard.

# Beloved local and national leader dies

Chris Faulkner  
Staff Writer

To study the life of Seeley Griffiths Lodwick you need to check your cynicism at the door. It only appears to be a series of paradoxes.

How else could you read that long-time friends remember Lodwick by using "politics" and "integrity" in the same breath?

How else can you believe that a man who lived in Washington, D.C., working with the movers and shakers of the agricultural world and who traveled overseas to Geneva, Switzerland - among other places - was said to "love Lee County" and returned upon his political retirement to make his home in Wever, Iowa (pop. 1,113)?

Lodwick was called "future-oriented" by his daughters. Yet, a visit to his home in June revealed that Lodwick still wrote his correspondence by hand - not by e-mail, text messaging, or leave-a-message-at-the-beep. But by an ordinary pen.

The same man who was considered private in some respects touched the lives of more people than anyone can count.

But even harder to accept is the fact that a man who was tireless in his pursuit of getting the best for his town, his county, his country, and the world died at the age of 85 early Sunday morning at his home.

He had been in failing health, but as recently as three weeks ago showed no signs of wear or tear.

## Many hats

It's clear from talking to family and friends that Lodwick wore many hats, but his head never grew to hold them all. It will make the average person tired just reading about



Lodwick

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# Lodwick

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He was the husband of Pat Lodwick, father of three daughters — Barbara Rossow, Margery Tuttle and Helen Gerber — U.S. Marine, Presbyterian; Republican, Mason, Rotarian, farmer, Iowa Senator (1962-1969), director of the American Farm-Bureau Federation, Co-chairman of Farm and Food Division for the Reagan-Bush Presidential Campaign, Undersecretary for International Affairs and Commodity Programs, Commissioner of the United States International Trade Commission and — from 1991 until his death — an agricultural consultant and farm manager for Green Bay Farms Limited Partnership. He was also currently on the Fort Madison Economic Development Commission.

He started out in Illinois: He was born Oct. 19, 1920 in Evanston and graduated from New Trier High School in Winnetka in 1938.

But he went to Iowa State College to study agricultural economics and after serving in the Marines (leaving as a second lieutenant), he moved to Centerville and then Wever, calling Iowa his home from then on.

The cold, hard facts of his resume, however, don't do justice to Lodwick's life. His daughters called him "humble", "an optimist" and "visionary," and now we're getting warmer.

## A life of service

The American Heritage Dictionary (copyright 2005) describes the phrase "second nature" as "An acquired behavior or trait that is so long practiced as to seem innate."

That's why Lodwick's daughters refer to their father's life of service as "his first nature." Lodwick didn't do good things out of a sense of duty or obligation. It was instinctual.

He always had a sense of mission, a sense of purpose (before Rick Warren made it popular) and supported many causes.

Decades ago, a high school graduate came to work on Lodwick's farm. The notion of "college" was not even on this fellow's radar screen. Lodwick knew human potential when he saw it, took the young man in his pickup, and head-

ed to Parsons College in Fairfield. The young man became a veterinarian.

Merlin Hellman has known Lodwick for several of the former Senator's hats. "He was a longtime Republican," Hellman said, and then quickly quipped, "I think he was born a Republican." Lodwick was also a fellow Rotarian and earned the honor of Paul Harris Fellow for contributing \$1,000 or more to the foundation named in honor of the man who started the Rotary Club. He also made a donation in his wife's name, making Pat a Harris Fellow.

Hellman also said, "He was one of the best networkers that I ever knew."

But Hellman's best memory of Lodwick was when Merlin's daughter, Barbara, went to Washington, D.C. to work. "Lodwick befriended her and took her into his home." He showed her the ropes in D.C., and later did the same for another Fort Madison resident, Tony Burton.

"He will be missed in the area," Hellman said of Lodwick.

Local insurance agent Gene Enke has been in Fort Madison a long time. But he was once a newcomer.

Lodwick was with the International Trade Commission when Enke moved to Fort Madison. But one day they crossed paths and the Lodwicks invited the Enkes out to dinner with some other folks, making the Enkes feel welcome to their new community.

"What a great role model they were for a 50- to 60-year marriage," Enke said.

Enke also mentioned Lodwick's integrity, and the other thing that most impressed Enke was what Lodwick "has done for politics and done for our communities." It was Lodwick who showed Enke on a plane ride back from St. Louis how politics could be handled with integrity and good graces.

Enke, a Rotarian, said one of the key concepts to Rotary is international fellowship. "He espoused that better than any I have ever known," Enke said.

The Enkes were heading for Pruem, Germany several years ago to meet with a group of citizens who weren't keen on the idea of the Sister City concept being proposed with Fort Madison, Iowa, U.S.A.

"Seeley gave me great insights, and

when we came back, we had made the deal (to become sister-cities)," Enke said. "He was indirectly involved with the Sister City. Seeley was always working behind the scene to make sure the right thing happened," Enke said. "His integrity and leadership were very unusual qualities in today's world."

Even his political opponents respected him. "His political philosophy was different from mine," said State Senator Ger Fraise (D-Fort Madison), but regardless I don't know anything bad about him. When (Governor Tom) Vilsack was in town, he would come to our meeting out of curiosity, I suppose. He was politically involved."

## The 'stretch' factor

There was always a "stretch" factor with Lodwick, his daughters said. I was future-oriented and his optimism often saw possibilities that others didn't. But he didn't browbeat those who hadn't caught the vision. He simply picked out those who had the milder case of astigmatism and soon they were reaching out to bigger and better things.

Whatever Lodwick was involved in, he looked for ways to make it better. His five-part process consisted of: questioning, analyzing, facilitating, negotiating, building connections and leading.

He convinced one young man to should join the Marines. But he did not by lecture, but by inviting a local Marine who was home on leave to visit with the young man. Soon the Marine had a new recruit.

Even in the midst of apparent tragedy, Lodwick didn't waste time stewing over negatives.

Lee County was among the many counties affected adversely by the Flood of 1993. The day after the levee broke at the Bottoms, Lodwick was among the many who helped get the levee rehabilitated as quickly as possible.

This is only a tip of the proverbial iceberg of the many ways Seeley Griffith Lodwick has served others, whether home or abroad.

It's best to summarize it as his daughters did: He enjoyed people, and he connected people with other people.

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# Touchdown: Discovery back on Earth

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Space shuttle *Discovery* and its crew of six returned to Earth through thick clouds Monday, ending an impressive mission that put NASA's space program back on a solid, safer course.

*Discovery* landed at Kennedy Space Center at 9:14 a.m. in only the second shuttle flight since the 2003 Columbia disaster.

ous one in this mission.

The shuttle came in from the south, swooping over the Pacific, Yucatan Peninsula, Gulf of Mexico and across Florida to cap a 5.3 million-mile journey that began on the Fourth of July.

A last-minute buildup of clouds prompted NASA to switch the shuttle's direction of landing. As the *Discovery* approached, it was so cloudy that Lindsey couldn't spot the runway with

confidence. Unlike on *Discovery's* flight year ago, the external fuel tank shed little foam during liftoff. That flight was the shuttle's first after the *Columbia* disaster, when a chunk of falling foam insulation doomed the shuttle.

Officials acknowledged re-entry was along with the launch, the most dangerous phase of the mission and nothing could be taken for granted until *Disco-*

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# Deaths

## Seeley G. Lodwick



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Seeley G. Lodwick, 85 years, of Wever, died Sunday, July 16, 2006 at his home.

He was born October 19, 1920 at Evanston, Ill., the son of William G. Lodwick and Florence Seeley Lodwick.

He graduated from New Trier High School in Winnetka, Ill. in 1938. He graduated from Iowa State College in Ames in Aug. 1942 with a B.S. degree and a major in agricultural econom-

ics. He completed two Agribusiness Seminars at Harvard University's School of Business Administration.

He was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, serving during World War II from 1942 - 1945. He earned second lieutenantcy and served three years active duty, including over two years with First Marine Division as field artillery firing battery officer.

On July 28, 1945, he married Helen "Pat" Barbre at Webster Groves, Mo.

He farmed and managed Sedan Farms near Centerville, Iowa from 1946 - 1950. From 1950 - 1969, he farmed and managed Green Bay Farms, Wever. In 1962, and again in 1966, he was elected to the Iowa Senate, where he served from 1962 - 1969. He was elected president pro temp in 1969. In 1969, he accepted an invitation from the Nixon Administration to serve at the United States Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. From 1973 to 1976, he was director of governmental relations for the American Farm Bureau Federation at Washington, D.C. He was an agricultural consultant and farm manager at Wever from 1976 - 1979. In 1979 and 1980, he was the Iowa Administrator for the newly-elected U.S. Senator Roger W. Jepsen. In 1980, he was Co-chairman of the Farm

## Margaret Barnes

Margaret "Maggie" Barnes died at 9 p.m. on Monday, July 17 at her home. Arrangements are pending at King's Inn Funeral Home.

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Some of his activities included: Chapter presi- dent and District Chief of Beta Theta Pi, a colle- ge social fraternity; Iowa State University Foundation Board of Governors; member of board of directors Rotary Club of Washington, D.C. and past president and member of board of directors of Rotary Club of Fort Madison, Iowa, and a member of executive committee board of directors of Herbert Hoover Presidential Library Association. One of Seeley's very favorite activi- ties was to work with the Herbert Hoover Uncommon Student Award, which recognizes Iowa high school students who conceive and complete projects benefitting Iowa schools, com- munities, and the state. He was President of Southeast Iowa Agricultural Council; Chairman of Green Bay Levee and Drainage District, Lee County, Iowa; Vice president of Upper Missis- sippi River Flood Control Association; Trustee of Iowa Wesleyan College; Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree; and Executive committee of Fort Madison Economic Development Corporation.

Some of his memberships included: Stella Masonic Lodge #440, A.F. & A.M., 32nd degree Mason, Scottish Rite, and Mason KCCH; Iowa Chapter American Society Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers; Food and Agricultural Com- mittee of U.S. Chamber of Commerce; Lee County Farm Bureau; U.S. Marine Corps League; and the Lee County Republican Party.

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He was preceded in c- Mr. Lodwick's family celebrate his life from July 24 at Spirit Hollo- Private family gravesid- be held at a later dat- established for the Un- at Hoover Presidential Box 696, West Branch, dolences to the Lodwic- the Barr Memorial Cl- rmemorialchapel.com. in charge of arrangem-

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Ruth Adkisson, 87, o- at 5:15 a.m., Mond- Keokuk Area Hospital are pending at Lam- Hamilton, Ill.

## Leach and Grassley comment o

United States Representative Jim Leach (R-Iowa) and U.S. Senator Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) provide these comments after learning of the death of See-

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# For the Record

for the Reagan-Bush Presidential Library, Arlington, Va. From 1981 - 1986, he was Undersecretary for International Commodity Programs at the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington. In 1991 he was Commissioner, International Trade Commission. From 1991 - 2006, he was an assistant and farm manager for a Limited Partnership, Wever. His activities included: Chapter president of Beta Theta Pi, a colony; Iowa State University member of Governors; member of Rotary Club of Washington, president and member of board of directors of Club of Fort Madison, Iowa; executive committee member of Hoover Presidential Library; member of Seeley's very favorite activities with the Herbert Hoover Presidential Award, which recognizes students who conceive and execute a project benefitting Iowa schools, communities, or the state. He was President of Agricultural Council; Chairman of Lee County and Drainage District, Lee County; president of Upper Mississippi River Control Association; Trustee of Iowa State College; Honorary Doctor of Iowa State University; Executive committee of Fort Madison Development Corporation. His memberships included: Stella 140, A.F. & A.M., 32nd degree Mason, Rite, and Mason KCCH; Iowa Society Farm Managers and Food and Agricultural Chamber of Commerce; Lee County Chamber of Commerce; Lee County Bureau; U.S. Marine Corps Reserve; Lee County Republican Party. He was a member of the Order of the Sons of the American Revolution. After learning of the death of See-

ley's death, he called on his talents and intellectual expertise for the advancement of Lee County, the State of Iowa, the United States, and the World. In his professional and volunteer activities, he pursued visionary goals and expertly worked with others to achieve them while ensuring their recognition rather than his.

Many individuals were the privileged recipients of Seeley's unique mentoring. He quietly identified a possibility, adroitly presented the opportunity, and created the connections to make the dream a reality. In the realms of education, careers, or military service, many attribute life-changing experiences to Seeley's masterful influence.

Survivors include his wife, Helen B. "Pat" Lodwick, of Wever; three daughters, Barbara (husband Edwin) Rossow, of Wilmette, Ill.; Margery (husband Jerry) Tuttle, of Crete, Ill.; and Helen (husband Gary) Gerber, of Watseka, Ill.; one sister, Martha L. Chambers, of Waukesha, Wis.; four grandchildren, cousins, nephews, and a niece.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mr. Lodwick's family will host a reception to celebrate his life from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. Monday, July 24 at Spirit Hollow Golf Club, Burlington. Private family graveside services and burial will be held at a later date. A memorial has been established for the Uncommon Student Award at Hoover Presidential Library Association, P.O. Box 696, West Branch, Iowa 52358. Online condolences to the Lodwick Family may be made at the Barr Memorial Chapel website, [www.barrmemorialchapel.com](http://www.barrmemorialchapel.com). Barr Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

## Ruth Adkisson

Ruth Adkisson, 87, of River Hills Village, died at 5:15 a.m., Monday, July 17, 2006 at Keokuk Area Hospital. Funeral arrangements are pending at Lamporte Funeral Home in Hamilton, Ill.

## Sen. Grassley comment on Lodwick

Representative Jim Leach (R-Iowa) and Senator Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) provided a special comment on the death of Seeley. From Sen. Grassley: "Seeley Lodwick was a man

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Other survivors include his granddaughter, Sherry Hamilton, Ill.; one son, Joliet, Ill.; three granddaughters, Suzanne Webb and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife; one daughter, Leona Webb; and one sister, Gloria Jean Webb.

As a young man, he was a family in the Navy and a union electrician. He was a member of the country for many years, a member of IBEW in Burlington, a former member of the order, and enjoyed mowing lawns and spending time with his family.

Cremation Rites will be held. Memorials in memory of Seeley have been established at the American Legion, Disorder Foundation, and will be mailed to or dropped off at Lamporte Funeral Home, P.O. Box 32, Hamilton, IL 62305.

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