

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Kitt Williams George Senator

Resides at Cedar Falls in Black Hawk County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place February 1950 Elkader, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
Did not marry

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa Board of directors;
Black Hawk County Mental Health Center Board

B. Civic responsibilities Cedar Falls Rotary; Sierra Club; Habitat for
Humanity

C. Profession

4. Church membership

5. Sessions served 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th General Assembly 1993-1994, 1995-1996,
1997-1998, 1999-2000

6. Public Offices

A. Local

B. State Member of Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation

C. National

7. Death

8. Children No children

9. Names of parents Donald Charles and Dorleen Emma (Aulerich) Kitt

Hitt, William George

10. Education _____

11. Degrees *He attended the State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
attaining a B.A. in English.*

12. Other applicable information *Democrat*
- He served in Afghanistan as a Peace Corps Volunteer

1984 HISTORY OF CLAYTON COUNTY



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La Vern and Faye Wiskus

Wiskus of Colesburg. He attended Lancing Country School and Colesburg Public School. He served some time in the army, and he has always enjoyed sports.

I, Faye Williams Wiskus, was born Nov. 5, 1928, on a farm two miles south of Elkport. My parents are Floyd and Bertha Williams. I had three brothers and four sisters, Marvin and his wife Bernice and family live on the home farm. Ray and his wife Shirley and family live near Motor Mill. Brother Ivan was killed in the Korean War, July 28, 1952. He is buried in the Mount Harmony Cemetery. My sisters, La Vera (Mrs. Burdette Schenke), Irene (Mrs. Glen Gleason), and Jean (Mrs. Leonard Morarend), all farm in Clayton County. Gerry, my youngest sister, operates a beauty shop in Elkport where my parents now live.

I attended the Wayman Country School and the Elkport High School. Later I operated a beauty shop in Elkport.

La Vern and I were married Oct. 10, 1950. We had four children, Colleen, Lee, Steven, and Lesa.

Colleen was born Aug. 17, 1951, she worked at Trademark Homes in Guttenberg after she was out of high school. She is married to Wesley Hansel, son of the late Amanda and Howard Hansel. They have two sons Terry, three years old, and Michael, one. Wesley works at Ertl Toys in Dyersville. They live in Colesburg, they enjoy hiking in the woods, reading, and picnics.

Steven was born Feb. 1, 1954, went to Calmar to be a mechanic. He has worked for Del-Clay Imp. at Edgewood for ten years. He married Jean Wilke, daughter of Thelma and Donald of Elkader. Jean works at the Elkader School. Stephanie, their daughter, is three months old. Lee enjoys tractors and picnics.

Steven, born April 17, 1959, has been interested in farming, cars and guns. He and his wife Cathy, daughter of Fanny and George Jaeger, farm with us, for three years. They live in Colesburg.

Lesa was born Nov. 1, 1970, is a seventh grader at the Edgewood-Colesburg School. She enjoys caring for the cows, music and TV.

We now have all Registered Holstein cattle, we drive Ford cars and Allis Chalmers tractors. La Vern has been on the Ed-Co School Board for 15 years. He served two years on the County Extension. We are members of American Legion and Farm Bureau.

My grandparents, Henry and Emma Waterman Willie, and Fred and Emma Fritz Williams, were farmers in Clayton County in 1895, near Elkport.

We all enjoy the beautiful scenery, parks and creeks in Clayton County. To all who read this 'Have a nice day'.

By Faye C. Wiskus

Donald and Dorleen Aulerich Witt

Donald Charles Witt was born in Elkader, Ia., Aug. 23, 1918, to William John and Virginia Crouse Witt. He graduated from Elkader High School in 1936, attended the University of Iowa and Iowa State Teachers' College in Cedar Falls prior to entering the U.S. Army in June 1941. A radio operator in the Third Armored Division, 32nd Armored Regiment, he served in the European Theatre of Operations for 4½ years, and was discharged in Oct. 1945.

An International News Service story told of the Third Armored's drive into Germany: In only ten days the division drove across Belgium after crossing the Sein at Corbell. It crossed the Belgian-French border and reached Rotgen, Germany, Sept. 12. The Third Armored was the first to carry into the Siegfried Line and with the aid of the First Infantry Division to pass completely through the line, breaking the double fortifications south of Aachen and penetrating further into Germany than any other outfit.

Aug. 7, 1946, he married Dorleen Emma Aulerich in St. Paul Lutheran Church in Monona. They established their home in Elkader where Don became a partner in the William J. Witt & Sons Funeral Home. Dorleen, second daughter of Emil F. and Amelia Schultz Aulerich, was born at her parents' farm home west of Monona March 26, 1923. She graduated from Luana High School in 1940, Iowa State University at Ames in

the Durant, Ia., and Elkader High Schools.

Don and Dorleen became the parents of three children: William George b. Feb. 2, 1950, in Elkader; Carol Sue b. March 1, 1952, at McGregor; and Donna Jean b. June 4, 1957, at Prairie du Chien, Wis. The children are graduates of Central Community School in Elkader.

The Witts were active members of Peace United Church of Christ. Don died Feb. 6, 1971, at Central Community Hospital, following a heart attack. Burial was in Eastside Cemetery.

In Jan. 1974, Dorleen moved to Oelwein, Ia., where she is a home economist for Interstate Power Co., a member of Grace United Methodist Church, P.E.O., T.T.T. and several other civic and religious organizations.

Son, William George m. Sandra L. Adelmund in Cedar Falls, June 10, 1972. Daughter, Donna Jean m. Alan Small in Charles City, July 31, 1982. Daughter, Carol Sue, resides in Waterloo, Ia.

Aulerich Ancestry: Emil F. Aulerich is mentioned in the '1916 History of Clayton County', Biographical Section, page 26.

Johann and Dorothea Muller Witt

Johann Friederich Christoph Witt was born in northern Germany (Prieman), in 1822. His occupation is unknown, but was probably a day laborer. In 1868, he was permitted by the King of Prussia to emigrate to the United States with his wife Dorothea Muller and their six children: Wilhelm, Wilhelmina, Carolina, Maria, Bertha and Augusta.

He settled near Clayton Center. In 1873 he signed his intention to become a citizen. In 1876, with Reuben Noble as the presiding judge for the District Court, Clayton Co., Johann became a citizen of the United States.

No records have been found on the death or burial of his wife, Dorothea. In 1879 he married Sophie Taake (Mrs. Friederich W.), born Stoffer in Germany in 1823. Approximately in the year 1860, she came to Clayton County with her first husband, her three stepsons, Louis, Ernst and August, as well as their four daughters: Elsie (Mrs. G. Wolf, Elkader); Wilhelmine (Mrs. Engelhardt, St. Olaf); Lissette (Mrs. Bosch of Merrill, Wis.); and Louise (Mrs. F.G. Leibrock, Elkader). Sophie Taake Witt was buried in Clayton Center.

Johann died in 1890 and was buried in Elkader at the Eastside Cemetery. The brother of his first wife, Dorothea Muller, is buried beside him.

William Witt (Archived: 79th GA)



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