

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

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Name of Representative Francis Daniel Senator _____

Represented Madison County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 5 Dec 1826 Clark County, Ohio

2. Marriage (s) date place
Emily Edington 10 Mar 1850 Ohio

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Methodist Episcopal

5. Sessions served 18th General Assembly 1880

6. Public Offices

A. Local Justices of the Peace; County assessor 15 years; county supervisor 15 years

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 29 May 1908 Des Moines, Iowa; buried Penn Center Cemetery, Earlham, Iowa

8. Children Two sons and two daughters - all preceded their father in death

9. Names of parents _____

Francis, Daniel

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____ *Republican*

- *He came to Iowa 26 May 1855 settling in Pottawattamie, Medicine
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- *At one time he owned several hundred acres of farmland*
- *He moved to Des Moines in 1880*

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DEATH OF DANIEL FRANCIS

former Penn Township Citizen Expires
at His Home in Des Moines Friday
Morning at 7 o'clock.

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Buried in the Soil of the Claim he
First Staked.

Word was received here Friday of
the death of Daniel Francis at his
home on East Capitol Avenue, Des
Moines, at 7:30 that morning after an
illness lasting about a month. Mr.
Francis was born in Dark County, O.,



Daniel Francis.

December 5, 1826 and died May 29,
1908, aged 81 years, 5 months and 24
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Capitolia B. Wight was born
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He came to Iowa in 1855, settling in Penn Township, Madison County, May 22, being among the first settlers in the township and one of the prominent men of the early days. For many years his work was identified with the interests of the township and county. At the first election he was elected justice of the peace and from that time on figured prominently in the public affairs, serving fifteen years as assessor and five years as county supervisor. In the fall of 1879 he was unanimously nominated by the republicans as their candidate for the Legislature and was elected.

At one time Mr. Francis owned several hundred acres of well-improved land near Penn Center on which he lived, a highly respected and valued citizen. Few men in the community were as well liked as he and none deserved it more. He was always a great favorite with the children, and familiarly known as "Uncle Daniel."

He was a public benefactor in many ways. He gave the lot on which the Penn Center M. E. Church now stands, built in the seventies, and was a hard worker during its construction and gave liberally to its support afterwards. He moved to Des Moines in 1880 and soon became actively associated in the construction of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church on the east side near his home. He donated the grounds for both the parsonage and church and remained one of its principal supporters until his death.

The old cabin, a view of which is given here, was erected in the summer of 1855 and for many years was the humble dwelling of Uncle Daniel

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J. R. Shike, Osteopathic physician, Earlham, Iowa. Office at residence east of Friends' church 'Phone No. 101.

and Aunt Emily. It was extremely favorable to ventilation and for many years lacked almost everything in the nature of home comforts. His cabin was the stopping place for travelers and land buyers, and many a weary sojourner had reason to bless the kindly hospitality of Uncle Daniel. He was a friend to all those who made his acquaintance or became associated with him, and many instances are related of his kindness of heart, which are still spoken of with a great deal of affection by his former neighbors of pioneer times. Few men were better known than Mr. Francis during the time he lived here, and now that death has claimed him, it is most befitting that his body should be brought back to his old church for the last sad rituals to be observed, and to be buried by the side of his children in the soil of the claim he first staked out.

Services were held in Des Moines Sunday at 3 p. m., conducted by his pastor, Dr. Emery Miller of the Asbury Church. The body arrived here Monday and a second service held at Penn Center conducted by Dr. Miller, assisted by Rev. C. S. Burnette. Interment was made in the old cemetery at Penn Center.

The deceased is survived by an estimable wife and two brothers, Wash Francis who resides in Canada, and Darius, a resident of Adel.

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