

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Schneekloth, Hugo Allen Senator _____

Represented Clinton and Scott Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 24 Apr 1923 Eldridge, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
Mildred L. Blunk 2 Feb 1947 Davenport, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Past president of Scott County Farm Bureau; member of the Iowa State Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee; member of Iowa Farm Bureau Beef Cattle Committee

B. Civic responsibilities Kawarua Club;

C. Profession Farmer; cattle feeder

4. Church membership Lutheran

5. Sessions served 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd General Assembly

6. Public Offices 1977-1978, 1979-1980, 1981-1982, 1983-1984, 1985-1986, 1987-1988, 1989-1990

A. Local Director of Central Soil Supply Company; Lewin Township clerk;

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 21 June 1996 Davenport, Iowa; Buried Pine Hill Cemetery, Davenport, Iowa

8. Children Doris (Mrs. Robert Sittman); John

9. Names of parents Hugo H. and Sophia (Busch) Schneekloth

10. Education Graduate of the Des Moines, Iowa High School in 1940.

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He farmed all his life on land in Lincoln Township that was purchased by the Schneklöth family in 1864. It was called Sunray View Farm.
- He established Schneklöth Farms Incorporated in 1979, president until 1994 and then treasurer.
- He was a past member of 4-H and served as a 4-H leader in Lincoln Township for 4 years.
- He served on the Citizens Advisory Committee for the North Scott School District, was an Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committeeman.
- He was vice-president of Scott County Livestock Raisers Association and secretary of Scott County Beef Producers Association.

OBITUARIES

**Hugo
Schnekloth**



Hugo A. Schnekloth

Hugo A. Schnekloth, 73, of Eldridge, former Republican representative to the Iowa House of Representatives, died Friday, June 21 at Genesis Medical Center, West Campus, Davenport.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 24 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Davenport, with Rev. Ron Huber officiating. Burial was in Pine Hill Cemetery, Davenport.

Larry Petersen was the organist, and Don Kincaid sang "I Was There To Hear Your Morning Cry" and "How Great Thou Art." Pallbearers were Ralph and Les Schnekloth, Larry and Rodney Blunk, Mark Schafer and Keith Nelson.

Weerts Funeral Home, Davenport, was in charge of the arrangements.

Hugo Schnekloth was born April 24, 1923, in Scott County, Iowa, the son of Hugo W. and Sophia Rusch Schnekloth. He married Mildred L. Blunk on Feb. 8, 1947, in Davenport.

Mr. Schnekloth farmed all his life on land in Lincoln Township that was purchased by the Schnekloth family in 1864, later to be called Sunny View Farm. He established Schnekloth Farms Inc. in 1979 and was presi-

dent until 1994, and then treasurer.

He served seven terms, from 1977-91 in the Iowa House of Representatives. He was chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee and served on numerous other committees.

He was a lifetime member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Davenport, and had served on the church council for 12 years. He was a past finance committee chairman, treasurer, and served on the usher corp for 45 years. He was also a member of the Scott County Lutheran Social Services.

Mr. Schnekloth was past president of the Scott County Farm Bureau and chairman of the building committee when the new building was built. He was a member of the Iowa State Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee and Iowa Farm Bureau's representative on the American Farm Bureau Beef Cattle Committee.

He was also past president of Davenport Kiwanis Club, a director of Central Scott Telephone Co., and township clerk of Lincoln Township. He was a past member of 4-H and served as a 4-H leader in Lincoln Township for four years.

He also served on the Citizens Advisory Committee at the time the North Scott School District was formed, was an Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committeeman, vice president of Scott County Livestock Feeders Association and secretary of Scott County Beef Producers Association.

He loved the land and farming and enjoyed reading, traveling and family involvement. While farming, he enjoyed feeding cattle.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church or Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Doris (Mrs. Robert) Dittmer, West Des Moines; a son, John, Eldridge; five grandchildren; and a sister, Celia (Mrs. Royce) Schafer, Davenport.

SCOTT COUNTY HERITAGE



Second Scott County Court House (Photo courtesy State Historical Society of Iowa)

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Alvin L.; born February 3, 1921; married Kathlyn Schaefer of Walcott, Iowa, on December 30, 1941; four children, Earl, Marilyn, Theresa, and Sharon. Kathlyn was an Agricultural Soil Conservation secretary, and Alvin became a successful farmer.

Vernon C.; born October 15, 1923; married Geraldine Moeller of Bettendorf, Iowa, on June 18, 1943; three children, Sandra, Vernon, Jr., and Susan. Vernon served in the Marines in World War II. Later he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He died January 10, 1956.

Dorothy M.; born August 7, 1928; married Jerry Lindquist on December 30, 1956; one daughter, Patty. Both were employed by the Dayton Company. Jerry died in 1983. Dorothy married Harry Wilhelmson in September, 1988.

Earl D.; born September 8, 1931; died in a drowning accident on June 4, 1933. Submitted by Arthur A. Schmidt

CLAUS SCHNECKLOTH FAMILY

Among the pioneers of whom Scott County is justifiably proud is Claus Schneckloth who possessed a fund of interesting reminiscences of the old days. Although he retired in Davenport, he resided for many years in the neighboring township and pursued the vocation of an agriculturist. He was one of the numerous immigrants from Holstein, Germany, his birth having occurred there August 6, 1831. He came to America by the way of New Orleans with his parents Hans and Silka Schneckloth. The family arrived in 1847 and located in Scott County, Iowa, where they bought 40 acres of partially improved land in Davenport Township, now Sheridan Township. The Indians had not yet entirely retreated before the onward march of civilization, and Mr. Schneckloth on one occasion met no less than 500 of them. He was naturally terrified, but they did not harm him.



Claus Schneckloth Family. Left to right: Celia, Hans, Catherine, Gustave, Claus and Peter Schneckloth.

The father had served in the German army and was a shoemaker by trade. He had two children, Claus, the subject of our sketch, and Bertha, who married M.F. Rohlff and resided in Davenport. Claus Schneckloth received his education in the Germany schools. For the first five years of his residence in this country, he assisted his father upon the home farm. In about 1852 the latter purchased 160 acres in Lincoln Township and entrusted his son with the task of breaking the land and otherwise improving it, which consumed the greater part of 1854 and 1855. He built the house pictured here in 1854. It was completed in 1857 and is located three miles East of Eldridge on LeClaire Road. The house is presently occupied by Mike and Lori Anderson. Lori is of the sixth generation of the Schneckloth family.

On April 12, 1857, Mr. Schneckloth was united in marriage to Catherine Wiese, a daughter of Peter and Bertha (Plambeck) Wiese, both natives of Germany. Mrs. Schneckloth is likewise by birth a subject of the Kaiser, as she was born in the old country, April 27, 1839.

They became the parents of five children; Celia, the eldest married Charles Schneckloth and lived in Lincoln Township. She was the mother of nine children; Catherine, Malinda, Ella, Harry, Hugo, Rudolph, Otto, Albert, and Grace. Peter, the sec-

ond child, a resident of Lincoln Township, married Hanchen Holst and had two children, Rona and Herbert. Gustave, who lived on the old home place in the original house built by his father, married Anna Willrodt, and had two children Camilla, and Irma. Betty lived at home with her parents in Davenport, and Charles moved to Medford, Oregon. Claus & Catherine lived on the home place for nearly forty years, retiring in 1894, when they moved to Davenport. Submitted by Mrs. Warren (Elaine) Fick with the assistance of Mrs. Elmer (Irma) Mohr, granddaughter of Claus Schneckloth.

VICTOR H. SCHNEIDER

Victor H. Schneider was born November 28, 1916 to George and Katherine (Schmidt) Schneider. Both parents emigrated to this country from Russia. They were of German descent going to Russia when Catherine the Great, a former German princess, married a Russian Czar. She wanted people of her nationality close to her. They were called Volga Germans. After the invasion of the Soviet Union by the Nazis in 1941, the entire population, estimated at 341,000, was moved eastward into Siberia. No authentic information about them has since been available. Prisoners of war returning from labor camps in the far North of the Soviet Union have reported seeing slave gangs apparently made up of these people.



Victor and Doris Schneider

Victor married Doris E. Sievert April 1951 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. They have two children, Diane and Kurt, listed under the Roy Sievert history.

Victor was employed by Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Company at the Riverside Generating Station thirty-four years, retiring in 1979. Submitted by Victor Schneider

HUGO A. SCHNEKLOTH

Hugo A. Schneckloth is a great-grandson of Hinrich Schneckloth who was born in Krumbbeck, Germany, in 1804. Hinrich married Gretje Lage of Schonberg in 1828. They were par-



In the center are Hugo A. and Mildred L. Schneckloth. At left is daughter Doris, her sons Andrew and Adam and husband, Robert. Behind Mildred is son John, with his family at right: Valerie, Clint, wife Cynthia and Hans Peter.

ents of four children. A son, Hans, born in 1835, Hugo A.'s grandfather, emigrated with his parents to the United States in 1851. Hans was sixteen and worked with his father on the wharfs of New Orleans loading cotton bales to earn money for a passage up the river to Scott County, where they worked as farm laborers.

In November of 1860, Hinrich purchased 80 acres in Section 10 of Lincoln Township for \$1,600. Hans married Celia Moeller in 1864 and purchased the farm from his father. In 1875, he purchased the Schuman 80 acres across the road.

Hans and Celia were blessed with ten children, one of whom was Hugo W. Schneckloth, Hugo A.'s father. Hugo W. married Sophia Rusch of Holstein, Iowa. Her family had also emigrated from Northern Germany. An uncle of Sophia, Nicholas Rusch, was a State Senator from Scott County and was elected Lieutenant Governor of Iowa in 1858. He served one term and died at Vicksburg, Mississippi, during the Civil War.

Hugo W. and Sophia had three children. Their youngest son is Hugo Allan whose family is the subject of this history.

Hugo A. was born April 24, 1923, in the house that still stands on the "home place." He attended Scott County schools and graduated from Davenport Central High School in 1940. That year, he also won first place in a National Highway Essay Contest sponsored by the National Highway Safety Bureau. He married Mildred Blunk on February 8, 1947.

Mildred's father, Walter Blunk's family, emigrated to Clinton County from Germany and her mother, Mabel Boeh, was a member of a pioneer Scott County family from the Pleasant Valley area.

In 1963, Mildred was selected an Iowa Master Homemaker by Wallaces Farmer Magazine. In 1984, she was appointed by Iowa Governor Branstad to the committee for the Re-commissioning Ceremony of the Battleship Iowa at Pascagoula, Mississippi.

Hugo and Mildred farmed the "home place" until 1973 when they moved to a new home they had built on the farm where they now reside.

In 1976, Hugo A. was elected a Republican State Representative to the Iowa General Assembly. He is currently serving his seventh term. In 1980 and 1981, he chaired the House Ways and Means Committee. He is a Director of the Central Scott Telephone Company of Eldridge.

Hugo and Mildred have two children, a daughter, Doris, and a son, John. Doris married Robert Dittmer, also of Scott County. They live in Des Moines, Iowa, and have two sons, Andrew, fourteen, and Adam, eleven. John married Cynthia Johnson of Charles City, Iowa. They live at the "home place," a part of the farm that has been in the family for 130 years. They have three children, Clinton, seventeen, Valerie, fifteen and Hans Peter, three.

In 1985, a 125-year anniversary party was held at the John Schneckloth farm with more than 500 relatives and friends in attendance. Submitted by Hugo A. Schneckloth

JOHN AND CINDEE SCHNEKLOTH FAMILY

The marriage of John and Cynthia (Cindee) Schneckloth was almost predestined by their parents' mutual involvement in the Iowa Farm Bureau activities and by John's sister, Doris' acquaintance with Cindy at state 4-H activities — especially the state trip to National 4-H Congress in Chicago as state winners in November 1968.

It was a month later when Cindee received a phone call at her dorm room at the University of Iowa from Doris' brother, John. They agreed to meet in person and soon realized that they had many interests in common.

Having grown up on a farm in Floyd County, Iowa, Cindee had decided that she would like to live in the country but not on a farm. John was a full-fledged farmer and loved his work, but Cindee soon discovered that his farm operation with his dad was different from the farm set-ups with which she was familiar — no chickens, no hogs, and state-of-the-art machinery. Maybe farm life was acceptable after all!

Consequently, marriage vows were exchanged at St. Charles Methodist Church west of Charles City, Iowa, on February 15, 1970. Cindee transferred her college credits to Mary-



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Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	Hugo A Schnekloth	
Birth Year:	abt 1924	
Birth Place:	Iowa	
Gender:	Male	
Race:	White	
Marital Status:	Single	
Census Date:	1 Jan 1925	
Residence State:	Iowa	
Residence County:	Scott	
Locality:	Lincoln	
Relation to Head:	Son	
Mother:	Sophia Rusch [Sophia Schnekloth]	
Mother's Birth Year:	abt 1887	
Mother's Birthplace:	Iowa	
Father:	Hugo W Schnekloth	
Father's Birth Year:	abt 1880	
Father's Birthplace:	Iowa	
Marriage Place:	Iowa	
Roll:	IA1925_1940	
Line:	22	
Neighbors:	View others on page	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	Hugo W Schnekloth	45
	Mrs. Sophia Schnekloth	38
	Walter R Schnekloth	7
	Celia L Schnekloth	5
	Hugo A Schnekloth	1
	Sam B Finger	23

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- *Birth:* 1924 in Scott Cty
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Mother: [Sophia RUSCH](#) b: 1/30/1887 in Holstein, Galva Twp, Ida Co, IA

Marriage 1 [Mildred L. BLUNK](#) b: 3/24/1928 in Scott Co, IA

Children

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Death Date: 21 Jun 1996
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