

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Nielsen, Carl W. Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented Polk County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 19 Jan 1932 Bridgeport, Connecticut

2. Marriage (s) date place  
Marilyn Newman 1957

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was a member of the Polk County, Iowa and American Bar Associations; American Trial Lawyers Association

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Shriner; Jaycees

C. Profession Lawyer

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 65<sup>th</sup>, 66<sup>th</sup>, 67<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1973-1974, 1975-1976,

6. Public Offices 1977-1978

A. Local \_\_\_\_\_

B. State He was the Executive of the Iowa Bar Association 1981-1984

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 1 April 2011 Des Moines, Iowa

8. Children Anne (Mrs. Mark Hitt); Karl (Mrs. Sorenson); Steven

9. Names of parents Edward and Karen Nielsen

Nielsen, Carl V.

10. Education He graduated from Warren J. Harding High School,  
Des Moines, Iowa 1949

11. Degrees Graduate of Grandview College, Des Moines, Iowa 1956,  
graduate of Drake University Law School, Des Moines, Iowa 1960

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- Military service - Korean War - U.S. Navy 1951-1955
- He was an attorney-at-law with the Sutton, Nielsen Law firm in  
Des Moines and Altoona, Iowa from 1960
- He served on the Board of Directors of the Grinnell Hospital for Children in  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 2000-2009

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
- Iowa Official Register 1977-1978, p. 21			
- Obama - hamiltonsfairness.com (accessed 3 Aug 20 11)			

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## Service Details & Obituary

### Visitation:

Tuesday, April 5, 2011  
12:00 - 2:00 pm  
Westminster Presbyterian Church  
4114 Allison Avenue  
Des Moines

### Service:

Tuesday, April 5, 2011  
2:00 pm  
Westminster Presbyterian Church

### Disposition:

Cremation  
Hamilton's Crematory  
Burial of Cremated Remains  
Glendale Cemetery

### Arrangements:

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243-5221

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## Carl V. Nielsen



Carl V. Nielsen, 79, passed away April 1, 2011, at Bright Kavanagh House.

Carl was born January 19, 1932, in Bridgeport, CT, to Edward and Kären Nielsen. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean

War. He was a graduate of Grand View College and Drake University Law School. Carl was in private practice with Sulton & Nielsen Law Firm from 1961 until 1981, then served as Executive Director of the Iowa Bar Association from 1981 until 1998. Carl was elected to the Iowa House of Representatives and served from 1973 to 1978, and was elected as Speaker Pro Tempore.

Carl was past president of King David Masonic Lodge in Altoona, was a member of the Za Ga Zig Shrine, and was also a Jester. He served on the Board of Directors of the Shriners Hospital for Children, Minneapolis, MN, from 2000 until 2009. Carl and his wife Marilyn were 50-year members of Westminster Presbyterian Church. He enjoyed spending time with his family, boating on the Mississippi River and Lake Rathbun, and was an avid golfer.

Carl is survived by his wife of 53 years Marilyn; children, Anne (Mark) West, Karla Sorensen and Steve (Lisa) Nielsen; grandchildren, Amy Fine, Joshua (Jayna) Doughan, Ashley West, Michael Sorensen, Amanda (Joshua) Jones, Mackenzie West, John Nielsen and Rachel Nielsen, great-grandson, Bryce Doughan; brothers, John, Al and David Nielsen, sister, Heiga Turmon; and a host of other extended relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Edward; and sisters, Edith and Elizabeth.

A memorial visitation will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 4114 Allison Avenue, from 12 to 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 5, 2011, followed by a memorial service at 2 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made in loving memory of Carl to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Minneapolis, MN.