

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Burrows, Robert Orville, Sr. Senator Burrows,  
Robert Orville, Sr. - Represented Benton and James Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 20 June 1899 Pierre, South Dakota

2. Marriage (s) date place

Bess Shurtleff. 2 Feb 1920 Marion, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business President of the Burrows Publishing Company, Belle Plaine, Iowa; received the  
Master Editor - Published Award of the Iowa Press Association in 1961 - named best  
columnist in Iowa by Sigma Delta Chi professional journalism society in 1962

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Shriner; Eastern Star; I.O.O.F;  
American Legion; Rotary

C. Profession Editor of the Belle Plaine Union newspaper

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 60<sup>th</sup> 61<sup>st</sup> General Assemblies 1963-1965 - Senate

6. Public Offices 54<sup>th</sup> 55<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1951, 1953 - House of  
Representatives

A. Local Member of Belle Plaine volunteer fire department; member of the Benton  
County Relief Commission and Benton County selection review board; Benton  
County coroner; Belle Plaine city commissioner

B. State

C. National

7. Death 11 Feb 1965 Des Moines, Iowa; buried Oak Hill Cemetery, Belle Plaine,  
Iowa

8. Children Robert Orville, Jr.; Joan

9. Names of parents Orville Cooper and Lebra (Shalter) Burrows

10. Education Graduated from Belle Plaine High School in 1917

11. Degrees \_\_\_\_\_

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He lived with his parents in Pierre, South Dakota, Little Rock, Arkansas, St. Louis, Missouri and Afton, Iowa prior to purchasing The Belle Plaine Union, Belle Plaine, Iowa in 1910.
- Military service - World War I - U. S. Army, Co. A 109<sup>th</sup> Engineers, 34<sup>th</sup> Division, serving in France
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# Sen. R. O. Burrows, Sr., died at Des Moines, services held Mon.

Sen. Robert O. Burrows, Sr., longtime editor of The Union and president of Burrows Publishing Co., Belle Plaine, died Thursday, Feb. 11, at 3 p.m., in Iowa Methodist hospital, Des Moines. Death was attributed to a ruptured aneurysm of the main aorta.

Senator Burrows first became ill late Wednesday afternoon while attending a fourth district Republican caucus. He left the meeting and reported to a Des Moines physician who in turn admitted him to the hospital.

The late senator's wife, Bess, and two children, Robert and Joan, were with him Thursday morning and afternoon.

Born at Pierre, S. D., on June 20, 1899, he was the eldest son of O. C. and Debra Burrows. The family lived at Little Rock, Ark., St. Louis, Mo., and Afton, Ia., prior to purchasing The Union and moving to Belle Plaine in 1910. He was graduated from Belle Plaine Community high school in 1917.

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The late senator had been a member of the Benton County Soldiers' Relief Commission, the board and Benton county coroner.

charge of the services. Mrs. Grace Morek played at the organ.

Benson Guinn was in charge of Masonic services at the funeral home, with the Belle Plaine American Legion post conducting military services at the grave site in Oak Hill cemetery.

The Rev. Henry Dunkel, assistant pastor of St. Michael's Catholic church, presented the United States flag to Mrs. Burrows at the conclusion of firing of three volleys by the Legionnaires and Taps which was played by Sam Zimmerman.

Casket bearers were: Edwin Blanchard, Paul Carlson, Wayne Conrad, M. D. Dreibelbis, J. C. Ellis and Victor Viquain. Honorary pallbearers were: Senator Kenneth Benda, Edward Hoover, Senator J. Henry Lucken, Jessa Pettitt, J. Willard Shrader and John Tatge.

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### Belle Plaine Roster

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All proceeds taken in by the Belle Plaine Junior Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the event, will go to the American Field Service foreign exchange student fund, the club said. This community's A.F.S. student this year is Miss Rita Vermijlen, Belgium.

### All Stars

Sports scribes have tried to describe the various maneuvers performed by the ex-Hawkeyes but as yet can not decide whether basketball, football or just plain foolishness is being displayed.

Even Michigan might have trouble even getting near the boards with 250-pound Gus Kasapis and Mike "Hammer" Reilly tackling the rebound chores. Reilly has recovered from the broken arm he suffered while playing regularly for the Chicago Bears while Gus is carrying the weight he supported while playing for the British Columbia Lions last fall.

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## Kenneth Frazells break wrists in falls on ice

Things have not been going too well for Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Frazell, Belle Plaine, the past few days.

On Sunday, Feb. 7, Mr. Frazell slipped on the ice outside their home and broke several bones on his right wrist.

On Monday afternoon of this week Mrs. Frazell slipped on the ice outside their home and broke her left wrist. She was admitted to Marengo Memorial hospital where she was given a general anesthetic and the wrist was set. She was released Tuesday morning.

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### In General Assembly

Senator Burrows served his first of two terms in the house of representatives in the state general assembly in 1951. In the fall of 1962 he was elected to the state senate and had served for one special and two regular sessions with this legislative body.

The senate recessed late Monday morning in memory to Senator Burrows. The following men were named to the official delegation from the general assembly, senate: Robert Rigler, Andrew Frommelt, Kenneth Benda, Vernon Kyhl, John Shoeman and J. Henry Lucken; house of representatives: C. E. Hutchins, Albert Detje, Conrad Ossian, Floyd Edington and Howard Fisher.

A large number of senators and representatives attended the funeral services at Peffers funeral home in Belle Plaine Monday at 2 p.m.

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## Infant daughter of Mrs. Lyle Danker passed away Feb. 15

Semi-private funeral services were held this afternoon from the Hrabak funeral home in Belle Plaine for Amy Danker, three-month-old daughter of Mrs. Lyle Danker, Chelsea, and the late Lyle Danker.

Amy died at St. Luke's hospital in Cedar Rapids Monday evening, Feb. 15.

Survivors are: her mother; three sisters, Linda Sue, Patricia Lynn and Marsha Ellen; three brothers, Thomas Nathan, David LeRoy and John Michael; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Markham, Belle Plaine, and Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Danker, Chelsea.

Rev. Alvin Boettcher, pastor of the First Congregational church in Belle Plaine, officiated at the services. Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery, Belle Plaine.