

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Salton, William Robert Senator _____
Represented Palo Alto and Kosciusko Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 4 May 1935 rural Ayreshire, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Darlene Marie Stucky 18 Nov 1956 Spencer, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Member of Iowa Forge and Gussland Council, Iowa Cattleman's Association; Superintendent of beef judging Clay County Fair;

B. Civic responsibilities Farm Bureau; Pioneer Pioneers in Soil Conservation; Keweenaw Farmer of the Year; Volunteer spokesman for Domestic Abuse

C. Profession Farmer, cattleman

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 76th General Assembly 1995-1996

6. Public Offices

A. Local Clay County Extension Board; host of farm tours for Spencer 3rd grade people

B. State Iowa Lakes Community College Advisory Board; received the Iowa Peace Maker Award

C. National Member on the National Cattleman's Private Land and Environmental Committee;

7. Death 2 Oct 1997 rural Guthrie, Iowa; buried Logan Township Cemetery, Hillside Grove, Iowa

8. Children William E. Russell; Janet (Mrs. Steve Crisman); Carol (Mrs. Rick Ayres); Donna (Mrs. Robey); Shirley (Mrs. Sam Henkelrig)

9. Names of parents William Aaron and Ida Marie (Johnston) Salton

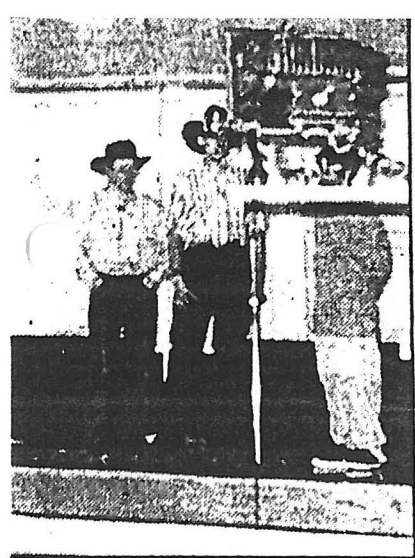
Seltors, William Robert.

10. Education He graduated from the Gillett Grove, Iowa High School,
Clay County, Iowa

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He was foster parent to eleven children
- He was planning on being in the legislature in the 77th General Assembly, but became ill with leukemia and was unable to do so.
- His childhood years were spent in Gillett Grove, Iowa in Clay County
- Following his marriage, he and his wife farmed in the Gillett Grove and Ayersville, Iowa areas.
- He hosted Spencer, Iowa Parkers for breakfast on cattle tours
- He was a speaker for grass management and soil conservation meetings statewide
- For 2½ years their home was a "safe house" for the domestic abused before shelters were established
- He and his wife hosted a German exchange student.
- He was Clay County Cattleman of the Year.



William Robert Salton

Funeral services for William Robert Salton, former State Representative, were held Wednesday, February 5, at 10:00 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church in Spencer. Pastor Darrell Eichhorn officiated.

Burial was in Logan Township Cemetery in Gillett Grove. The Warner Funeral Home of Spencer was in charge of arrangements.

Casket bearers were Larry Salton, Eben Salton, Bill Treimer, Charles Anderson, Bennett Stuke and Shane Stuke.

William Robert Salton, the son of William Aaron and Ida Marie Johnson Salton, was born May 4, 1935, in rural Ayrshire. His childhood years were spent in Gillett Grove where he received his early education, graduating from Gillett Grove High School.

Bill married Darlene Marie Stuke on March 18, 1956, at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Spencer. Following their marriage, they farmed in the Gillett Grove and Ayrshire area. Bill was elected to the Iowa State Legislature as a Representative, where he served one two-year term. Due to his illness he did not seek re-election this past year. He was a member of the Assembly of God Church in Spencer. Throughout Bill's life he was very active in church, holding numerous leadership positions. He enjoyed sharing God's message through testimony and lay preaching when given the opportunity.

Mr. Salton passed away at his home in rural Ruthven on Sunday, February 2, 1997, at the age of 61. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Helen Anderson; and one brother, John Edward Salton.

Darlene of Ruthven; two sons and their wives, William E. and Lisa Salton and Russell and Sue Salton, all of Ayrshire; four daughters, Janet and Steve Crisman of Austin, Texas, Carol and Rick Ayres of Spirit Lake, Donna Robey and her fiancée, Tom Musel of Emmetsburg, and Shirley and Sam Henkelvig of Emmetsburg; fifteen grandchildren; two brothers, Kenneth and Lois Salton of Ruthven and Sandy and Natalie Salton of Ayrshire; and one sister, Doris and Virgil Treimer of Hartley.

Volunteer Activities: Vice-chairman, secretary, board of directors and on the executive board, Iowa Cattlemen's Association; President and board of directors for Iowa Forage and Grassland Council; Superintendent of the beef division, Clay County Fair; Farm Bureau board of directors; Chairman, Clay County Extension Council; board of directors, Farm Home Administration; hosted 4-H and FFA judging workouts for cattle, grassland and soil contests; hosted cow-calf, pasture management and soil conservation field days; hosted farm tours for Spencer Business people; hosted Spencer bankers for breakfast on cattle tours; was a speaker for grass management and soil conservation meetings statewide; for 2 1/2 years their home was a "safe house" for the domestic abused before shelters were established; have had 11 foster children with one staying as part of their family circle; they hosted a German exchange student for a year; helped establish "Salton Park" on Silver Lake; served on the National Cattlemen Association's Private Land and Environmental Committee and the major events committee for Iowa Cattlemen's Association; served on the Farm Advisory Council of Iowa Lakes Community College and the Board of Directors for Iowa Lakes Controlled Grazing. Bill was the recipient of many awards and honors: Top Commercial Cow-Calf Producer, State of Iowa, LICA State of Iowa Conservation Award, IFGC Top Producer Award, Kiwanis Farmer of the Year, Iowa Peace Maker Award from the Iowa Peace Institute, SCS State Convention Award, Clay County Cattleman of the Year, and Merit Award for Leadership IFGC.

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Shayne Pomeroy, Everett Scott and Alex Williamson.

The 6th grade players are Dave Henningsen, Bryan Geelan, Todd Loder, Josh Vanderhoff, Mike Bland and Lance Larson.

The boys are coached by Dan Geelan and Ed Versteeg. They led Terril at Ruthven on Feb. 8.

By Carol Cacek

Ruthven/Ayrshire 5th and 6th grade girls traveled to Fenton on Feb. 1 for a basketball game. Both exciting games ended with tie scores, the 5th grade 14-14 and 6th grade 19-19.

The R/A 5th grade players are Dawn Vanderhoff, Tristin Carter, Lauren Jones, Sarah Moliter and Nicole Williamson.

The 6th grade girls are Jenni Cacek, Kristin Knoer, Racheal Grund, Makala Hemmingsen, Lindsey Brockshire, Amanda Zielstra, Rebecca King, Michelle Schurg and Rachel Faulstich.

The girls are coached by Mike Brown.

Iowa Lakes College lists Fall Honors

Jim Billings, President of Iowa Lakes Community College, has released the Fall Honors List of full-time students who have demonstrated academic excellence by earning a grade point average of 3.25 (based on a 4.00 or higher).

Fall semester students who have achieved a 3.25 grade point average or better are identified and being recognized by the

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Friends, legislators remember Salton as dedicated lawmaker

Funeral services to be held Wed. for former Iowa House member

By John Payne
Editor

Bill Salton, the Ruthven native who represented District 8 in the Iowa House of Representatives for two years before succumbing to illness, died at his home Sunday. He was 61.

Salton, a Republican, was elected to the House in 1994. The longtime cattle farmer was planning to run for reelection when he was diagnosed with leukemia last spring.

After undergoing chemotherapy in Rochester, Minn., Salton appeared to bounce back, but in August, he withdrew from the race, saying he did not want to renew his legislative duties unless he could "give the district 100 percent."

On Monday, the House paused for a moment of silence in honor of Salton.

During his term in the Legislature, Salton served on the House Agriculture Committee, Human Resources Committee and as vice-chair of the Ethics Committee, among other assignments. A former president of the Iowa Forage and Grassland Council and vice-president of the Iowa Cattlemen's Association, Salton brought a unique insight to agricultural issues, friends said Monday.

"Bill was very knowledgeable in several areas, but number one was agriculture," said Clay County Republican Co-Chair George Moriarty. "He probably had the best understanding of Iowa grasslands of anyone in the Legislature. He understood about conservation and how those things are tied in to the cattle industry."

Salton also held an expertise in the field of foster parenting. He and his wife, Darlene, raised five children and were foster parents to 11 more.

"Legislators from both the House and Senate sought his advice in that area and relied on him as a source of information," said Moriarty. "He probably made as big a mark in that field as he did in agriculture."

As a freshman representative, Salton's immediate grasp of issues was impressive, Rep. Russ Eddie (R-Storm Lake) said. Eddie, who served with Salton on the House Ag Committee, said Salton would be remembered as a hard-working, "hands-on" lawmaker.

"No matter what time I got to work in the morning, he was always there first," said Eddie. "He was very dedicated and took the job very seriously."

Eddie said Salton fought hard for landowners' rights, and was not afraid to "take on the DNR" over

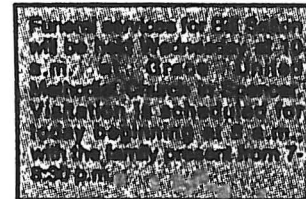


Bill Salton

wetlands issues.

District 7 Rep. John Greig (R-Estherville) said Salton took a "common sense" approach to law-making. He pointed to a bill managed by Salton to address handicap parking violations.

"He basically re-wrote that bill to target the violators and to make the fines reasonable and fair," said



Greig. "He was so well-respected on his committees. People really listened to him."

Steve Grubbs, a former state representative from Davenport, said Salton established a record of "voting his conscience."

"He wasn't a guy who sat around worrying if he was going to get reelected," said Grubbs, who is now state Republican chairman. "He was a steady, honest legislator who did what he thought was right rather than what he thought would get him reelected. And the work that he and Darlene did with foster kids — kids who a lot of times had nowhere else to go — was extraordinary."

Funeral services for Bill Salton will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church in Spencer, with the Rev. Darrell Eichhorn officiating. Burial will be at Logan Township Cemetery in rural Gillett Grove.

Visitation is scheduled to begin today after 8 a.m., with the family present from 7-8:30 p.m. Warner Funeral Home of Spencer is in charge of arrangements.



... a Christian singer/songwriter wrapped up the annual dinner with songs Monday.

YMCA volunteers, staff members recognized

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LaBarre. "He comes two or three nights a week and works with the K-6 athletes."

"Something like that is invaluable to us," said LaBarre.

Newcomb works at Eaton Corporation. He and his wife, Nancy, have three children.

Rachel Miller and Kristen Ullman were the two youth volunteers recognized at the dinner.

The girls volunteer with the children's programs at the Y.

Ullman, the daughter of Ken and Marilyn Ullman, is a freshman at Spencer High School. She has worked with the summer child care program for two years.

Miller is a seventh grader at Spencer Middle School. She also worked with the summer child care program. She is the daughter of Tom and Vickie Miller.

The evening came to an end with Christian singer/songwriter, Kim Stout. Stout shared some of her YMCA experiences and the message of Jesus through song.

LaBarre said each there is no way to measure how important volunteers are to the Y, but said without them the Spencer YMCA would not be what it is today.

"They really are invaluable," she said. "I sometimes don't think people realize the importance of volunteers and the impact they make on our association."

"There is no way we could have done as much as we have without them," said LaBarre. "They allow us to be what we are."

SALTON, William (Bill) R. - Ruthven
District 8
 Republican

Birth: May 4, 1935, Clay County. **Parents:** William A. and Ida M. Salton. **Education:** Graduated Gillett Grove High School. **Spouse:** Darlene, 1956. **Children:** 2 sons; 3 daughters. **Grandchildren:** 15. **Profession and Activities:** Farmer and Cattleman. Member: president, Iowa Forage and Grassland Council; secretary and vice-president of Iowa Cattlemen's Association; served on National Cattlemen's Private Land and Environmental Committee; Iowa Lakes Community College Advisory Board; Farm Bureau; Pioneer Promoter in Soil Conservation. Foster parent to eleven children. Volunteer Safehouse for Domestic Violence. **Term:** First.



SCHRADER, David - Monroe
District 90
 Democrat

Birth: October 23, 1952, Jasper County. **Parents:** Hubert and Violet Schrader. **Education:** Graduated from Monroe High School, 1970. **Spouse:** Bobbi Sterling, 1974. **Children:** 3 daughters: JoAnna, Heather and Melissa; 1 son, Todd. **Profession and Activities:** Small business owner since 1972. Member: Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, Marion County Democratic Central Committee, Red Rock Lake Association, International Motor Contest Association, Kiwanis, and the Methodist Church. **Term:** Fifth.



SCHULTE, Lynn S. - Mt. Vernon
District 50
 Republican

Birth: July 26, 1946, Norway. **Parents:** Alec and Dolly Schulte. **Education:** Graduated Regis High School, 1964; A.A.S. Kirkwood, 1970. **Military Service:** Army 1966-68. **Spouse:** Marilyn, 1970. **Children:** 1 son; 3 daughters. **Profession and Activities:** Farmed, 1968-86; computer consultant, Schulte Consultants (software designer & writer). Member: Cedar Valley Farm Business Association; Farm Bureau; Kirkwood College Advisory Board; American Legion. **Term:** First.



IN MEMORIUM

CORNELIUS, Gerald (Jerry) E. - Bellevue
District 34
 Republican

- **March 28, 1935 - December 14, 1995**

The Honorable Gerald E. Cornelius was born on March 28, 1935, in Davenport, Iowa. He served in the Iowa House for the first session of the 76th General Assembly. He was a lifelong farmer and lived on a century farm in Jackson County. He was president and co-owner of Cornelius Seed Corn Company. Jerry and his wife, Wanda, were married June 1, 1958, and had three children; Charles, Nancy and Julie, and five grandchildren. Representative Cornelius died on December 14, 1995, during his first term in the House, at the age of sixty.



SALTON, William (Bill) Robert - Ruthven
District 8
 Republican

- **May 4, 1935 - February 2, 1997**

The Honorable William R. Salton was born May 4, 1935, in rural Ayrshire, Iowa. He served in the Iowa House during the 76th General Assembly. Representative Salton farmed in the Gillett Grove and Ayrshire area and was a recipient of many awards and honors: the Iowa Peace Maker Award; Top Commercial Cow-Calf Producer, State of Iowa; LICA State of Iowa Conservation Award; IFGC Top Producer Award; Kiwanis Farmer of the Year; SCS State Convention Award; Clay County Cattleman of the Year; Merit Award for Leadership IFGC. Bill and his wife, Darlene, were married March 18, 1956 and had six children, William, Russell, Janet, Carol, Donna and Shirley, and fifteen grandchildren. He served one term in the House. Representative Salton died on February 2, 1997, at the age of sixty-one.



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He was the charter president of the Spencer Kiwanis Club. He is a member of the Masonic Evening Shade Lodge and the Grace Methodist Church.

Their son, Max West Safley, graduated from the Spencer High School in 1945. He served one year in the Marine Corp. He attended Drake University in Pre-Medics and graduated as a Phi Beta Kappa. He graduated from medical school at University of Iowa. He married Madeline Ann Weber, a registered nurse in 1951.

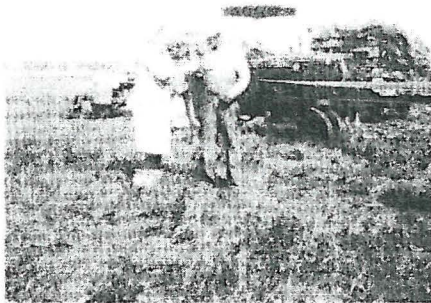
Dr. Safley practiced medicine in Forest City, Iowa, then returned to medical school and specialized in radiology and is chief radiologist in Indiana, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Max Safley and Madeline Ann Weber have four children, Thomas born in 1952, Michael born in 1953, Robin Ann born in 1954 and Kimberly Sue born in 1957.

by Herb and Irene Safley

SALTON, W.A. AND IDA

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Ida-bringing lunch to Bill-threshing time



William and Ida Salton

William A. Salton was born in Marathon, Iowa, June 23, 1892, the son of Alexander and Elizabeth Kirchof Salton. William, with his parents, moved to a farm in Logan Township, Clay County, Iowa in 1912.

Ida Johnson was born at Ruthven, Iowa, November 22, 1898, the daughter of Ole and Ellen Johnson. Ida moved with her parents to a farm in Logan Township, Clay County, Iowa, March 1st, 1913.

February 26, 1918, William was inducted into the service of his country. He left from Gillett Grove, Iowa, by train. He was sent to Camp Dodge, Iowa then to Camp Gordon, Georgia and to Camp Upton, New York. He was sent overseas by ship, May 2, 1918 and arrived in England May 19, then went to France. He served with 82nd Division, Co. A 321, Machine Gun Battalion. He was in Battle A.E.F. St. Mihiel, Sept. 12 to Sept. 20,

1918, Meuse, Argonne October 6, to October 30, 1918. He returned home from the war May 17th, 1919.

After returning home from World War I, William married Ida M. Johnson, daughter of Ole and Ellen Johnson. William and Ida were married in the home of the bride's parents, June 9, 1919 in Logan Township. It was on this farm where William and Ida began their married life. The Johnson farm and the Salton farm were only two miles apart in distance. After the marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson moved to Ruthven, Iowa.

Mr. Alexander Salton passed away in 1921 and is buried in the Marathon, Iowa Cemetery. Mrs. Elizabeth Salton passed away in 1927 and is buried beside her husband in the Marathon, Iowa Cemetery.

Mrs. Ole Johnson passed away on March

7, 1945 and is buried in the Ruthven, Iowa Cemetery. Mr. Ole Johnson passed away on April 27, 1951 and is buried beside his wife in the Ruthven, Iowa Cemetery.

Will and Ida became the parents of four sons, Kenneth, Sandy, William, and John Edward who passed away in infancy and is buried in the Cemetery at Dickens, Iowa, and two daughters, Doris and Helen.

Kenneth married Lois Brinkley of Gillett Grove, Iowa February 10, 1944. They have two children, Larry and Linda.

Sandy married Natalie Lindgren from Albert City, Iowa April 24, 1949. They have four daughters and two sons. Their children are Eben, Marilyn, LaVonne, Aaron, Susan and Marcia.

Doris married Virgil Treimer of Hartley, Iowa February 26, 1950. They have three



William and Ida 1917



L-R: Helen, Mother, Dad, Sandy, Kenneth, Doris Front: William 1950

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daughters and one son. Their children are Ellen, Margaret, Debra and William (Bill).

Helen married Reuben Anderson of Webb, Iowa February 6, 1955. They have two children, Charles and Nancy.

William R. Salton married Darlene Stuke, Spencer, Iowa, March 18, 1956. They have three daughters, Janet, Carol and Donna, and two sons William E. and Russell.

The family were members of Zion Lutheran Church, Ruthven, Iowa.

William A. Salton was Clay County Supervisor and also assistant soil district commissioner for the Clay County Soil Conservation. He was active in Farm Bureau and instrumental in starting Farm Bureau in Logan Township. He served on the Gillett Grove School Board. He was a member of the American Legion, Post #194, Dickens, Iowa. He was active in Church and Community affairs throughout his life and was never too busy to lend a helping hand. He was a farmer all his life and raised a lot of livestock.

William A. Salton passed away at our farm home November 28, 1961. He is buried in North Lawn Cemetery, Spencer, Iowa. He loved to tease his grandchildren. William and Ida are grandparents of nineteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Logan Township and Community has been good to us and we thank God for all the happy times we have had with friends and our family in this place called Home.

by Mrs. Ida M. Salton

SANDERSON, DONALD AND LEAH

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In 1868 Nathan and Emmeline Sanderson and daughters Mariette and Viola came from Wisconsin by covered wagon to homestead in Herdland Township just south of the present Russell Cook farm. They lived in a sod house and in 1870, Donald's father, Louis F. Sanderson, was born. He grew up in the area and married Blanche Claudy from McGregor, Iowa, in 1911. They became the parents of Donald Louis and Doris, now Doris Prentice of Webb. In 1932, the family returned to the Webb area to live on a farm northwest of town which had been owned by Louis' sister. When Donald married Leah Johnson from Sioux Rapids, Lou and Blanche moved into town. Donald and Leah have lived on the farm since 1943 and it is now farmed by their oldest son, George, who also teaches vocational agriculture at Clay Central High School in Royal. They have two other sons, James of Waterloo and Dale of Iowa City and one granddaughter and two grandsons. The boys were very interested in 4-H and F.F.A. and particularly enjoyed the livestock projects so the family enjoyed the Clay County Fair and many other shows. Donald took part in the A.S.C.S. when it started, was on the Webb School Board and enjoyed the Hereford Association. Leah taught several years in the rural schools and came to Webb to teach fourth grade in 1942. After marrying she did not teach until her family was grown. During these years she was active in church work and the Better Ways Community Club and 20th Century Federated Club. She also was a den mother for Cub

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