

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Johnston, James Foster Senator Johnston, James
Foster - Represented Wayne and Lucas Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 25 Apr 1875 Lucas County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
Did not marry

3. Significant events for example:
A. Business _____
B. Civic responsibilities _____
C. Profession Farmer; raised stock

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 36th, 37th, 46th General Assemblies 1915, 1917, 1935 - House of

6. Public Offices 39th, 40th General Assemblies 1921, 1923 - Senate

A. Local Lucas County Board of Supervisors for 3 years

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 6 Nov 1958; Buried Oxford Cemetery, Lincoln Township
Lucas County, Iowa

8. Children No children

9. Names of parents John Robinson and Rebecca (Foster) Johnston

Johnston, James Foster

10. Education Educated in several schools and the Western Normal School

11. Degrees Attended Simpson College, Iowa

12. Other applicable information Republican

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- He later farmed and raised stock

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Wherever a helping hand was needed "Bob" was there to lend it. His friends were numbered by his acquaintances.

After the death of his parents, he made his home with his sister, Mrs. Floyd Reed until Feb. 10, 1941, when he went to the home of Harry Aldrich.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Frank Hampton.

Survivors include his sisters, Mrs. George Lanning of Chariton, Mrs. Floyd Reed of Knoxville and Mrs. Ray Simbro of Altoona, a sister-in-law, Mrs. Merle Hampton, a number of nieces and nephews, one aunt, three cousins and a host of friends and relatives.

"Bob's" life in the neighborhood will always be remembered as a pleasant memory.

"A precious one from us has gone

A voice we loved is stilled
A place is vacant in our house
Which never can be filled.
God in His wisdom, has re-
called
The one His love has given
And though his body slumbers
here
His soul is safe in heaven."

James Foster Johnston

James Foster Johnston, son of John Robinson Johnston and Rebecca Foster Johnston, was born in Lucas county, April 25, 1875, and departed this life Nov. 6, 1958.

Mr. Johnston spent his entire lifetime in Lucas county. He was

educated in rural schools, the old Western Normal school and Simpson college. He was a lifelong member of the Methodist church, which he joined in boyhood.

He was a member of the Lucas county board of supervisors for three years and was elected as a State representative in 1914, and also served as state senator from the Lucas-Wayne district, serving a total of five sessions of the General Assembly. As a young man he taught school and later engaged in general farming and stock raising.

Mr. Johnston is survived by one brother, Charles M. Johnston of Zanesville, Ohio, and four sisters, Lida R. Shore, Florence V. Prior, Bernice Johnston, and Nora Johnston of Chariton. One sister, Mrs. Belle Brown and a brother

Matthew Johnston, preceded in death. He also leaves 1 nephews, Charles Johnston P Fletcher Simpson and Carl Johnston Brown, and five nieces, Frence Brown Hawkins, Fra Margaret Graham, Anna E Johnston, Nora Isabel Mitchell Joyce Rebecca McCulloch, many other relatives and friends.

"Jim" Johnston, as he was known to his more intimate friends, well read and intensely interested in governmental, legislative political affairs, and although was a loyal member of the publican party, he was more interested in matters of principle than purely partisan politics. With background of reading and experience he was a keen analyst of political and current affairs and

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stimulating conversationalist. He
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friends and by his family to whom
he was intensely devoted.

Funeral services were held at 2
p. m. Nov. 10, at the Beardsley
Funeral home. The Rev. Lester
Hall officiated at the services. In-
terment was made in the Oxford
cemetery.

Pallbearers were Oscar Stafford,
M. J. Grogan, Kenneth White, John
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