

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Quinn, William Jackson Senator _____
Represented Benton County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 3 Sept 1852 near Belle Plaine, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Julius A. Benson 28 Dec 1876

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Active in the organization of the Cass Belt Trust
and Savings Bank and served as its president until 1930

B. Civic responsibilities Mason

C. Profession Farmers; real estate and insurance business;
banker

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 24th General Assembly 1892

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 20 June 1934 Belle Plaine, Iowa; buried

8. Children Lillian M.; Benson H.

9. Names of parents Sylvanus and Melissa Quinn

10. Education Educated in the rural schools of Iowa Township,
Benton County, Iowa and Belle Plaines public
schools

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- He grew to manhood on the family farm two miles southeast of
Belle Plaine, Iowa in Iowa Township
- He and his wife and children lived on this farm until 1901
when they moved to Belle Plaine where he went into the
real estate and insurance business

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W. J. Guinn Funeral to Be Friday P. M.

William Jackson Guinn, age 82,
native of Iowa township, pioneer
farmer, legislator and banker, died
Wednesday evening at his home on
north eleventh avenue in Belle
Plaine, where he had for some weeks
been critically ill, and where every
thing humanly possible was done for
him by his devoted wife, daughter
and son.

In his passing the community
loses one who for more than eighty
years had resided within its con-
fines, and who thruout his adult
years occupied a position of honor
and trust.

The funeral service will be held
Friday afternoon from Christ Meth-
odist Church of which he was a life-
long member and in which he had
held offices of trust and responsibil-
ity. It will be in charge of the Rev.
W. O. Winslow of Edgewood, a for-
mer pastor and close friend, with
Masonic services in charge of Hope
Lodge, No. 175 A. F. & A. M. of
which he was for more than fifty
years a member and in which he
held positions of honor and trust.

William Jackson Guinn was the
son of Hyrcanus and Melissa Guinn,
pioneer settlers of Iowa township
and was born on a farm two miles
southeast of Belle Plaine on Sept-
ember 3rd, 1852 and passed away at
his home in Belle Plaine on June
20th, 1934, lacking a little more than
two months of being eighty-two
years of age.

He grew to young manhood on the
farm, receiving his education in the
rural schools and those of this city.
On December 28th, 1876 he was un-
ited in marriage to Miss Julia F.
Benson, a childhood sweetheart and
for more than fifty years this happy
union continued, only to be broken
by the death of the husband.

The couple resided on the Guinn
homestead until 1901 when they
came to Belle Plaine where Mr.
Guinn engaged in the real estate
and insurance business for several
years. He was active in the organi-
zation of the Corn Belt Trust and
Savings Bank and served it as
president from its organization un-
til 1930 when advancing years and
poor health caused him to retire.

A man of recognized ability and
standing, he was elected to the Iowa
House of Representatives and served
during the 24th general assem-
bly.

In early life he became a member
of Hope Lodge No. 175, A. F. & A.
M. and was one of the few "Fifty
Year Masons" of this lodge. He took
an active interest in the order, serv-
ed in the chairs of the Blue Lodge,
and other branches of the order in-
cluding Mt. Horeb Chapter, R. A. M.,
St. Bernard Commandery No. 14,
and Morning Star Chapter, O. E.
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His church activities were quite
as general and he was for years a
member of the board of trustees of
Christ Methodist Church and also
served for some years as superinten-
dent of the Sunday School.

In whatever position of trust he
was placed, he served with distinc-
tion and fidelity.

He was a good husband, a good
father, a good citizen—his place in
the community where his entire life
was spent is one that it is not going
to be easy to fill.

He is survived by his devoted wife,
a daughter, Miss Lillian M. Guinn
of Peoria, Ill., a son, Benson H.
Guinn of Belle Plaine, and a grand-
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