

A. EARL AUGUSTINE

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable A. Earl Augustine, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

A. Earl Augustine was born at Delta, Iowa, March 10, 1890, and lived to be 85 years of age.

A native of Mahaska County, Mr. Augustine attended high school in Delta, and attended William Penn College and the University of Iowa.

Mr. Augustine was elected state senator from Mahaska County in 1936 and served in the Iowa Senate through 1951. He was Democratic floor leader of the Senate for four sessions, and was a candidate for governor in 1942.

Mr. Augustine spent 18 months in the Soviet Union in 1930 and 1931 as an agricultural expert. He supervised a large swine farm there and taught Russians to raise hogs as they were raised in Iowa.

He died in Oskaloosa, Iowa, on November 16, 1975, and is survived by a son, Albert Augustine of Des Moines; a daughter, Ruth Sherman of La-Crosse, Wisconsin; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. His wife, Ruth, and two sons preceded him in death.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly of Iowa: That in the passing of the Honorable A. Earl Augustine, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the Senate by this resolution would express its appreciation of his service to his community, state and nation and tender its sympathy and kindest regards to the members of his family.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the Senate, and that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

BASS VAN GILST, Chairperson
EUGENE M. HILL
FORREST V. SCHWENGELS
Committee

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

ELMER K. BEKMAN

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Elmer K. Bekman, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Elmer K. Bekman was born at Alton in Sioux County, Iowa, on August 18, 1900, the son of John and Cornelia Bekman. He graduated from Alton High School.

He received officer's training at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Infantry in World War I. He attended the University of Iowa where he received a bachelor of arts degree in 1921 and bachelor of laws degree in 1923. Mr. Bekman was then admitted to the bar and engaged in the general practice of law in Ottumwa in Wapello County. For three terms, from 1927 to 1932, he was elected to serve as