

LAURENCE M. BOOTHBY

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

Laurence M. Boothby was born on a farm in Cherokee County, November 24, 1896, son of Bert and Sophia Boothby. He was married to Esther Olson on February 11, 1920, and they had two children, Burton C. and Janene. Esther died May 19, 1962.

Mr. Boothby married Helen Womble on September 28, 1968, in Birmingham, Alabama.

He lived in Cherokee County all his life, engaging in farming and livestock feeding for 39 years, retiring in 1967.

Mr. Boothby was a member of the Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church at Cleghorn and served as elder, trustee, Sunday School Superintendent and teacher. He was a member of the Cherokee Rotary Club, American Legion, Burning Bush Chapter Crusade Commandery, Sioux City Consistory, Abu Bekr Shrine Temple and a 50-year member of Masonic Speculative Lodge 307.

He was a Navy veteran of World War I, served on the Cherokee County draft board during World War II, and was an honorary trustee of Buena Vista College at Storm Lake.

He served in the Iowa House of Representatives from 1946 to 1952 and in the Iowa Senate from 1952 to 1960. He also served on the Iowa Parole Board for several years.

Mr. Boothby died Wednesday, September 9, 1981, at the age of 85 in a Sioux City hospital after a brief illness. Survivors include his widow; one son, Burton C. of Denver, Colorado; daughter, Mrs. Richard (Janene) Duthie of Littleton, Colorado; one stepson, Carlos Womble of Lima, Ohio; four grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Alberta Ressler of Storm Lake.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-ninth General Assembly of Iowa: That in the passing of the Honorable Laurence M. Boothby, 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 services 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 instructed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

ARNE WALDSTEIN, Chair
LUCAS J. DE KOSTER
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Committee

The resolution was unanimously adopted.