

## JAMES E. BRILES

James E. Briles was born March 31, 1926, in Prescott, Iowa, and moved to Corning, Iowa in 1949. He passed away July 11, 1992, at the age of 66 years.

Mr. Briles is survived by his wife, Marilyn; three daughters, Dory Briles of Des Moines, Mary Briles of Corning and Colleen Schieffer of Caladonia, Minnesota; five sons, Ed of Buhl, Idaho, Jim of Terra Ceia, Florida, Tom of Kansas City, Missouri, Rick Jessen of Corning and Gary Jessen of Corning; a brother, Harvey of Creston; and nine grandchildren.

Mr. Briles attended and graduated from Prescott public school. He was involved in real estate for more than 30 years and was an auctioneer for 33 years.

Mr. Briles served in the Iowa House of Representatives for eight years and was elected to the Senate in 1965. Senator Briles held the Senate seat until his retirement in 1984. Other former senators remember Senator Briles as an expert in county government and agricultural legislation. He was so familiar with his bills, that when other senators were mistaken about details, Senator Briles would turn to the assembly and say, "Read the bill, Senator. Read the bill!!"

Senator Briles was a decorated Army veteran of World War II and was a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was also a member of the Corning United Methodist Church.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable James E. Briles, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and that the Senate by this Resolution, expresses its appreciation of his service to the State and tenders 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.

LEONARD L. BOSWELL, Chair  
JAMES R. RIORDAN  
DERRYL McLAREN

Committee

## JOHN L. BUREN

John L. Buren was born June 10, 1913, at Leland, Iowa. He passed away May 4, 1991, at the age of 77 years.

Mr. Buren attended Leland public schools and attended Columbia, now Loras, College in Dubuque for two years. He married Thora M. Berg of Scarville in 1933 and they were the parents of a daughter, Kathleen Ann Buren Bries of Denver, Colorado and a son, John Paul Buren of Mason City, Iowa, and grandparents to five grandchildren.

Senator Buren was elected to the Iowa Senate in November, 1964, and served a four year term representing Winnebago and Hancock counties in the Sixty-First and Sixty-Second General Assemblies.

Mr. Buren was in the grocery business in Leland for eighteen years; the auto and machinery business in Lake Mills for three years dealing in Kaiser, Frazer, International Harvester, Oliver and Massey Harris; five years as a Ford Dealer in Forest City and six years employed at Forest City Eymann Implement Company. He was a farm owner with two years in the hog and cattle business as well as two years in the insurance business. He served two years in the U.S. Navy in World War II.

Mr. Buren served in a variety of public capacities including Democratic County Chairman for six years, six years on the Leland school board, six years on the Leland City Council, and five years on the Winnebago County Conservation Board. He helped organize the Iowans for Tax Relief and was on the state board of directors for the group. Other interests included Ducks Unlimited and Pheasants Forever organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable John L. Buren, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and that the Senate by this Resolution, expresses its appreciation of his service to the State and tenders 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.

BERL E. PRIEBE, Chair  
RAY TAYLOR  
MERLIN BARTZ

Committee

WALTER E. EDELEN

Walter E. Edelen was born September 9, 1911, on a farm in Poweshiek County, Iowa. He passed away November 18, 1991, at the age of 80 years.

Mr. Edelen graduated from Brooklyn, Iowa High School. He married Mildred Rinnan in January, 1935. They were the parents of three children, Barbara Zrostlik of Clear Lake, Patricia Judge of Dubuque, and Charles Edelen of Shore View, Minnesota, and have seven grandchildren and five great-grand-children.

Senator Edelen was elected to the Iowa Senate in November, 1958, and served to 1960 representing Hancock and Cerry Gordo counties in the Fifty-Eighth General Assembly.