

## FRED R. BLYTHE

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Fred R. Blythe, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Fred R. Blythe was born November 6, 1890, in Troy township near Williamsburg. He was graduated from Williamsburg High School, the University of Iowa in 1913, and Columbia Law School in 1916. He was admitted to the Illinois bar and briefly practiced law before returning to his former community Williamsburg and farming for the majority of his life.

He married Bertha von Schrader in 1916. Two daughters and two sons were born to this union.

Mr. Blythe served as a trustee of the Williamsburg Presbyterian Church, was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Delta Chi fraternity, was a board member of the York creamery for many years, and served as a member of the Williamsburg school board. Mr. Blythe, a Republican, was a member of the Forty-first, Forty-second and Forty-second Extra General Assemblies, representing Iowa County.

Mr. Blythe passed away on August 27, 1977 at his home. He is survived by his wife, Bertha; his daughters, Mrs. Jane Barton, Mt. Prospect, Illinois, and Mrs. Imogene Crebbin, Richmond, California; two sons, Frederick C. Blythe, Springfield, Illinois, and William S. Blythe, Williamsburg, Iowa; two sisters, Mrs. C.G. Baird, Palo Alto, California and Mrs. Louis Penningroth, Iowa City, Iowa; one brother, John Blythe, Williamsburg, Iowa; and fourteen grandchildren.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable Fred R. Blythe, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this resolution would express its appreciation of his service, and tender its sympathy to the members of the family.

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

LINDA SVOBODA  
KEITH H. DUNTON  
EMIL J. HUSAK

Committee

## ELMER H. DEN HERDER

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Elmer H. Den Herder, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Elmer H. Den Herder was born August 14, 1908 in Sioux Center, son of Gerrit E. and Janet Te Grotenhuis Den Herder. He was educated in the Sioux Center Public School, Orange City Academy and Hope College. He married Christine Vreeman in 1931 and to this union were born six children: Paul, Phil, Mary, Carol, James and Roger. James and Roger preceded him in death.

Mr. Den Herder was past president of the Sioux County Youth Fair Board, former Sioux County Farm Bureau president, past 4-H Club chairman and leader, past chairman of the Sioux Center Hospital and Nursing Wing twenty-two years, first elected president of the Sioux Center Hospital Association in 1946 and past lifetime officer, serving as deacon and elder, of the First Reformed Church. He was a retired livestock and dairy farmer.

Representative Den Herder, a Republican, was a member of the Fifty-seventh, Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth, Sixtieth Extra, Sixty-first, Sixty-second, Sixty-third, Sixty-fourth, Sixty-fifth, Sixty-sixth, Sixty-seventh and Sixty-seventh Extra sessions of the General Assembly.

Mr. Den Herder passed away on June 2, 1978, and is survived by his wife, Christine, and their children, Paul, Phil, Mary and Carol.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable Elmer H. Den Herder, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this resolution would express its appreciation of his service.

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

INGWER L. HANSEN  
LESTER D. MENKE  
FLOYD H. MILLEN

Committee

FREDERICK B. GILBERT

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Frederick B. Gilbert, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Frederick B. Gilbert was born July 27, 1889, in State Center, Iowa, and was a lifelong resident of the area. He was a graduate of State Center High School and the University of Michigan Law School in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He was admitted to the bar in 1914 and practiced law in Marshalltown. Mr. Gilbert enlisted and was first lieutenant in command of the 264th aero squadron.

Mr. Gilbert was active on county and state politics, serving as chairman of the Republican county and state central committees. He was a member of the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth General Assemblies, representing Marshall County. He was an aide to Governor Robert D. Blue and accompanied Governor Blue on the shakedown cruise of the battleship Iowa to Hawaii.